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Deposition of

JO ANNE B. BARNHART

a witness, called for examination by counsel for the Federal Election Commission (FEC) pursuant to notice and agreement of counsel, beginning at approximately 10:45 a.m. at the FEC offices, 999 E Street, N.W., Washington, D.C., before Sharon McKinnon, Certified Shorthand Reporter and notary public in and for the District of Columbia, when were present on behalf of the respective parties:

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PROCEEDINGS 1 2 Whereupon, JO ANNE B. BARNHART 3 was called as a witness and, having been first 4 duly sworn, was examined and testified as 5 follows: 6 EXAMINATION BY FEC COUNSEL 7 BY MS. WEISSENBORN: 8 9 0 Would you give your full name? 10 Jo Anne Bryant Barnhart. I'm Anne Weissenborn. I'm here with 11 Mary Anne Bumgarner, representing the Office of 12 13 General Counsel in this deposition. 14 Your deposition is being taken 15 pursuant to a subpoena issued by the Federal 16 Election Commission to the National Republican 17 Senatorial Committee in connection with an 18 investigation being undertaken pursuant to 19 2 USC, Section 437(q). 20 This is the enforcement matter of

which this investigation is a part has been

designated MUR 4378.

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1	A moment ago you signed a
2	Confidentiality Advisement Statement, which I'm
3	going to show you again. We're going to have
4	it marked as an exhibit.
5	MS. WEISSENBORN: Exhibit No. 1,
6	please.
7	(Barnhart Deposition Exhibit
8	No. 1 was marked for
9	identification.)
10	BY MS. WEISSENBORN:
11	Q This is your signature?
12	A Yes, it is.
13	Q Is this your home address?
14	A Yes, it is.
15	Q 4609 South Eighth Street in
16	Arlington, Virginia, 22204?
17	A That's correct.
18	Q Your date of birth is
19	A Yes.
20	Q Okay. This document provides that
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Have you ever been deposed before?

A No.

Q Let me just tell you a little bit about how it works. I will be asking a series of questions, which you're being asked to answer under oath. If you don't understand a question I ask, please feel free to stop me. I can restate it again, or I can reword it.

If you should decide that an answer you gave earlier was incomplete or inaccurate, just let me know, and you can go back and correct it or add to it. If you don't stop me or request a chance to amend your answer, we'll assume that the answer you gave has been responsive to the question.

As you can tell, it's necessary to say orally "yes" or "no." The reporter can't rely upon head shakes.

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	repetitious questions because I don't want to
	stay any longer than necessary as I know you
	don't. But I will perhaps go a little bit back
	and forth in time, and sometimes seem to be
	repeating a question, but really, I'm not
	trying to prolong anything beyond reason.
	Are you represented by counsel today?

- A Yes, I am.
- Q Have you retained counsel personally?
- A No, I have not.
- Q How have they been retained for you?
- A Through the NRSC.
- Q Have you discussed this deposition with anyone other than your attorney?
 - A No, I have not.

MR. BURCHFIELD: Just to be clear about this line of questioning, this is an area that you would not really expect a layman to understand the fine points. This a subpoena. She's appearing as a witness designated by the NRSC pursuant to a deposition subpoena issued to the NRSC.

1	So we are appearing as counsel for
2	the NRSC, and Ms. Barnhart in her capacity as
3	NRSC's designated representative.
4	BY MS. WEISSENBORN:
5	Q Have you brought any documents or
6	other materials with you?
7	A No, I haven't.
8	Q I would like to ask just a few
9	questions to get a little bit of your
L 0	background.
11	A Okay.
12	Q Are you a native of the Washington
L 3	area, or where do you come from?
L 4	A No, I was born in Memphis, Tennessee.
L 5	Q Where did you go to college?
L 6	A I went to college the first two years
17	at University of Tennessee. When I was 13 my
L 8	family moved to Delaware, so I went back to
L 9	Delaware. Tennessee for two years; Delaware
20	for two years and graduated from the University

What is your present employment?

of Delaware.

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a consulting business that I started.

I currently work for myself.

How long were you in that position?

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1	Q Was that the only position that you
2	held at the NRSC?
3	A Yes, it was.
4	Q You came in as the political
5	director; is that correct?
6	A Yes, that's correct.
7	Q I've read somewhere of the title
8	"political services director"; is that the same
9	thing?
10	A It is the same thing. It's called
11	the political services division. I was
12	political director for the political services
13	division.
14	Q Before you were with the NRSC, where
15	did you work?
16	A Most immediately I had run Senator
17	Bill Roth's re-election campaign in Delaware.
18	Q And then I believe you had worked for
19	him in his senatorial office; is that correct?
20	A Yes. I did work with a senior
21	adviser in his office too.

Are you married?

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were still that; so it is all past tense.

That is correct.

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Yes, I am.

What is your husband's name?

your	responsibilities	as	the	political
dire	stor?			

A Well, in that job there were, sort of, three parts to the job as political director. One was to provide support services to candidates and campaigns who were seeking election to office.

The other was -- the second was, I had institutional responsibilities to the NRSC. And by that I mean that I did a fair amount of public speaking to associations, interest groups, to college students, various -- just various groups that request someone to come in and talk about the Senate races and what the NRSC did and how it functioned and so forth.

And the third part was basically to serve the chairman, and in that capacity I wrote remarks for the chairman and did briefings for the chairman and that kind of thing.

Q Okay. Going back to the first one, what kind of support services did you oversee

ا ا ا Well, for example, assisting them with the press, particularly for people who hadn't run before and were not familiar with how to set up a press operation. We would show them how to do news releases; explain some of the logistics of what you have to do when you are setting up a press conference; instruct them in radio actuality, how to do radio actuality so that they understood that.

Q What's that?

A A radio actuality is when you actually provide a tape or a live feed or they can call in. A radio station can call in to get a real person talking as opposed to simply having a press release to read. So they can actually hear the voice. That's what is called "actuality"; it's the actual voice from the person who makes the statement as opposed to a reporter having to read what so-and-so said.

Q The vocabulary keeps building. Did you help candidate committees organize

1	themselves; was that part of the advice you
2	gave?
3	A I'm not sure I know exactly what you
4	mean by "organize."
5	Q I mean how to set themselves up.
6	A We did help them do, like, campaign

A We did help them do, like, campaign budgets, finance plans. We would tell them -- we would give them instructions, sort of. A campaign would generally have a campaign manager or press secretary. Is that what you mean by "set up"?

Q Yes.

A Right. That's exactly what we did, yes.

Q Did you advise them on fund-raising?

I think you just said that, finances and the fund-raising, per se?

A We did provide assistance on fund-raising. I had a financing services unit that helped draft, like, the financial plan with them and helped them figure out how they were going to raise money.

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activities; was that under your bailiwick?

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A Yes, it was.

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Q Any particular person who headed that

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A There were a couple of research

17 directors while I was there, because one person	
did it, sort of, the first year, and then he	
left and another person came in.	
Q Who were those people?	
A The first person was Sonny Scott.	
Q And the second person?	
A Jamie Moore.	
Q Did that include research into	
issues, what issues would be good in a	
particular campaign, that kind of thing?	
A They did all the research for us.	
The research unit handled all the research, any	
research that we wanted to have done.	
Q And opposition research too; right?	
A Correct, all kinds of research.	
Q What about advertising, media	
advertising; was that within your	
responsibilities?	
A Yes, it was.	
Q And was there a particular person who	
was charged with overseeing that under you?	

A I was actually the person who oversaw

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1	the media advertising.
2	Q We'll come back to that. I'm trying
3	to get a feel.
4	A Okay.
5	Q There was also, I believe, an
6	activity involving working with political
7	action committees, with PACs; was that correct?
8	You did a liaison with
9	A I think well, you must be talking
10	about our corporate affairs division. I didn't
11	have any responsibilities at all.
12	Q Red Ray Hall was the name of the
13	person
14	A Yes, he was director of corporate
15	affairs.
16	Q So that was separate from you?
17	A Yes, I had no responsibility.
18	Q Did you have regional field directors
19	or regional directors?
20	A I had field staff.
21	Q When you say "field," do you mean
22	they actually were living in the field or

1	A No, they weren't. They actually were
2	based in Washington, and they traveled around
3	as they needed to. But we did not have people
4	posted in field locations.
5	Q Is it correct that Wes Anderson was
6	one of those persons?
7	A Well, actually Wes was. Early in the
8	cycle, he left and took another position, and I
9	think he was there about nine or ten months, as
10	I recall. It could have been longer, but he
11	was not there the whole time.
12	Q Nine or ten months in '95, then?
13	A Right.
14	Q So he left before '96 began?
15	A I think he did. It might have been
16	right at the beginning of the year.
17	Q Is it correct while he was there he
18	was responsible for the State of Montana?
19	A He was responsible for everything,
20	because he was the only field staff we had at
21	that time.

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A	Yes.
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- Q I've also seen him designated as a "coalitions director"; was that correct? That was another part of his portfolio, so to speak?
 - A Yes, that is correct.
 - Q What did that mean?
- A Oh, he was the person who met with various groups in Washington and would provide campaign updates and that kind of thing to them.
- Q When he left, who took over his role as a field representative?
- A When he left, no one particular person took over his role. We phased up as the cycle went on, hiring people. And I believe the first person we hired was Marty Ryall. He was the first field staff we hired.
 - Q How do you spell his last name?
- A R-y-a-l-l. But he didn't really take over all of Wes' responsibility because Wes, as I said, had the whole country. So Marty came on as we were actively interviewing and hiring

and bringing other people on, and then other

political field staff person.

representative; is that --

Q But they were all located here in

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1	Washington; is that correct?
2	A That's correct.
3	Q Was there anyone in the State of
4	Montana that was directly a representative or
5	was posted there during in the 1995-1996
6	election?
7	A No.
8	Q Was part of your responsibilities
9	also to work with the Senatorial Trust program?
10	A I didn't work with the Senatorial
11	Trust program. What I was was a guest speaker
12	at the events. I would go in and talk about
13	what was happening in the election, and that
14	kind of thing.
15	Q Was there anyone else that was
16	responsible for that?
17	A It would have been somebody in
18	finance, in financial not my financial
19	services, but in the finance department.
20	Q So when you say your "financial
21	services, " you're talking about helping the

candidates with fund-raising and their

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A I oversaw that. My field staff basically served as the liaison to state parties on an individual basis. But I did from the oversight perspective.

Q Who served as the chairman of the NRSC in '95, '96?

A Senator D'Amato.

Q Do you meet with him very often? You said that part of your job was to brief him; were you on a daily-contact basis with him?

A No.

Q In other words, how involved was he on a day-to-day basis with what you were doing?

A On a day-to-day basis, what, with what I was doing? It wasn't day to day. It was really at special points in time, when there was a circumstance or event or reason for me to be directly involved.

Q Were there particular programs that he was more interested in than others?

A I don't know. You would have to ask him. I really don't know about that.

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Q Did he have to approve expenditures that you wanted to make? Officially, did he have to?

A It depended. I don't recall him approving the, sort of, general operational things that we did at the Committee, and I don't know exactly how that worked because I wasn't the person --

Q But for your programs, were there certain types of categories of expenditures that he would have to approve?

A Not that I'm aware of.

MR. BURCHFIELD: I was just looking at the subpoena here, which asks the "National Republican Senatorial Committee to designate the person or persons who were knowledgeable to appear for a deposition with regard to contacts between the NRSC and Dennis R. Rehberg and between the NRSC and Montanans for Rehberg in 1995 and 1996."

That's a fairly limited and focused inquiry. Now, I don't have any objection to

you asking a certain amount of background
information to learn about this witness and to
establish the foundation that she is the
appropriate person to testify about those
topics. But I don't think I'm sure we were
not anticipating, and I don't think you are
really entitled to do a broad range of inquiry
into the business of the Senatorial Committee.

So if you could move your examination into the portions that are focused on in the subpoena, I think that would be appropriate.

MS. WEISSENBORN: Well, these are questions that do apply to the specifics that we'll be getting to very soon. But I needed to understand exactly what areas of NRSC activities she was responsible for.

MR. BURCHFIELD: And that's fair.

But I think you've pretty much accomplished that goal. I think we are getting a little bit beyond the pale when you begin asking about Senator D'Amato's day-to-day activities here, unless you can tie that somewhat to the Rehberg

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1	matter. But please go ahead.
2	BY MS. WEISSENBORN:
3	Q Who was the executive director while
4	you were there?
5	A John Heubusch.
6	Q And is he still there?
7	A No, he's not.
8	Q It's my understanding that often
9	candidates would use NRSC's facilities for
10	events. First of all, was that true they would
11	use it for their own events?
12	A They did use the NRSC for events,
13	yes, they did.
14	Q Who was in charge of that kind of
15	activity; was that you? Did you help the
16	candidates schedule use of a room or something
17	like that?
18	A In terms of scheduling use of a room?
19	Q Yes.
20	A Yes, I did.
21	Q So that was within your bailiwick
22	also?

1	A For scheduling a room for, say, a
2	press conference or something like that, or for
3	a meeting if they were going to a meeting with
4	campaign staff when they were in town, yes, I
5	did do that.
6	Q During 1995 and 1996, did you
7	maintain a written daily calendar of
8	appointments?
9	A The only thing I maintained was a
10	desk-blotter thing that I would use to make
11	notes on occasion about meetings.
12	Q Did you keep that?
13	A Oh, no, no.
14	Q You didn't have an appointment book
15	or anything like that?
16	A No, I didn't.
17	Q Did you maintain a log of telephone
18	calls that you made?
19	A No, I didn't.
20	Q Or of calls that came in?
21	A No, I didn't.

Did anyone else on your staff do that

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- A Not that I'm aware of.
- Q Any kind of log of visitors, candidates coming in for visits; that kind of thing?
 - A No, I didn't.
- Q Again, they're general questions, but they're focused on you in your role as political director, the kind of expenditures that you were responsible for authorizing.

MR. BURCHFIELD: Let's focus on the demurrer in this case. This really is not an appropriate opportunity, given the amount of business that the NRSC does with the Federal Election Commission, this really isn't an appropriate setting for a broad-scale inquiry about the activities of the NRSC.

Ms. Barnhart is here. She's ready to answer the questions related to MUR 4378, but there are, as I think you know,

Ms. Weissenborn, a number of matters going on between the NRSC and the Federal Election

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1	Commission, including a number of them in which
2	the Federal Election Commission has not
3	authorized its staff to conduct any
4	investigation as of yet.
5	So I think it's appropriate to focus
6	this deposition on the subject matter of 4378.

MS. WEISSENBORN: Well, I think it's also important to realize this MUR is not in a vacuum, and that I'm not asking for specifics of any other matters. I don't know what they are necessarily.

MR. BURCHFIELD: That's why, as of this point in time, you're not entitled to know what they are unless they are connected to the issues raised in MUR 4378.

Indeed, the subpoena that I assume you drafted says, "This deposition is with regard to contacts between the NRSC and Dennis R. Rehberg and between NRSC and Montanans for Rehberg in 1995 and 1996."

The question that you were just asking appears to relate to the sorts of

expenditures that Ms. Barnhart was involved in
making, without any limitation to Montanans for
Rehberg, without any limitation to the
1995-1996 Rehberg campaign. And indeed, it
would be appropriate, I think, for you to ask
the initial question as to whether there were
any such expenditures

MS. WEISSENBORN: So are you advising her not to answer? Suppose I was to ask about issue advertising in general?

MR. BURCHFIELD: We'll take it on a question-by-question basis. But what I'm saying is, and I can't imagine you would disagree with this: It is not appropriate for you to use this deposition as a way to inquire about the broader workings of the NRSC.

They're not pertinent to the MUR, and they're not even specified as a part of the deposition notice.

So if you have a question that you want to ask that is focused in some way on the issues involved in MUR 4378, and it comes

1	within your subpoena, I'll let her answer it.
2	So go ahead.
3	MS. WEISSENBORN: All right. We'll
4	take them one at a time.
5	MR. BURCHFIELD: Okay. Sounds fair
6	to me.
7	BY MS. WEISSENBORN:
8	Q Were you the person who authorized
9	payments of contributions, out-and-out NRSC
10	contributions, to candidates? Was that part of
11	your responsibility?
12	A I'm not sure I understand what you
13	mean by "contributions to candidates."
14	Q For example, where you would make or
15	the NRSC made a payment to a candidate.
16	\$17,500 was the amount, the limit, that's
17	allowed. If they made contribution like that
18	to individual candidates, were you the person
19	who authorized that?
20	A I had to approve that.
21	Q "Approve," that's the word. Okay.
22	A I had to approve it.

1	Q What about coordinated party
2	expenditures; were you involved in those?
3	MR. BURCHFIELD: You may answer with
4	regard to the Rehberg campaign.
5	MS. WEISSENBORN: All right.
6	THE WITNESS: Yes. I was involved in
7	knowing that coordinated expenditures were
8	compensated, giving money to them for that
9	purpose. I was involved in that, not actually
10	the giving of the money but knowing and
11	agreeing that that should occur.
12	MR. BURCHFIELD: I assume your
13	question refers to the post-primary period for
14	coordinated expenditures?
15	MS. WEISSENBORN: I'm sorry?
16	MR. BURCHFIELD: Your question, in
17	terms of timing the timing is important
18	here the question refers to the post-primary
19	period?
20	MS. WEISSENBORN: That's right.
21	Correct.
22	MR. BURCHFIELD: Is that the way you

1	understood it?
2	THE WITNESS: That is the way I
3	understood the question because that's the only
4	time
5	BY MS. WEISSENBORN:
6	Q All right.
7	A If I could just make this comment?
8	Q Sure.
9	A I need to clarify something. I
10	understood the question as post-primary because
11	that's the only time that we actually approved
12	coordinated expenditures. So I think that was
13	important.
14	MS. WEISSENBORN: Right. Could you
15	read back her answer to the question just
16	before that one, before the clarification?
17	(The reporter read the record as
18	requested.)
19	BY MS. WEISSENBORN:
20	Q The "them" you're referring to is the
21	candidates?

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Τ ,	and agreeing that the coordinator's dollars
2	should be given.
3	Q Or spent?
4	A Not necessarily spent, but I mean
5	well, given to the candidates.
6	Q Okay. Now, this next series of
7	questions is on the question of issue
8	advertising, which is the program that we are
9	concerned with in terms of Mr. Rehberg. But I
10	have some general questions before we start
11	that about that kind of program.
12	Did the NRSC have a program in '96 to
13	produce and place media advertising that it
14	deemed or had entitled "issue advertising"?
15	MR. BURCHFIELD: Object to the form
16	of the question. This MUR is not a general
17	inquiry about the NRSC's issue advertising.
18	Ms. Barnhart, you may answer the
19	question as to whether there were issue
20	advertisements run in Montana during the time
21	you were there.

THE WITNESS: Yes, there were. There

1	was issue advertising done in Montana while I
2	was there in 1996.
3	MS. WEISSENBORN: I would like to
4	introduce this document as Exhibit No. 2,
5	please.
6	(Barnhart Deposition Exhibit
7	No. 2 was marked for
8	identification.)
9	BY MS. WEISSENBORN:
10	Q This is just for the purposes of you
11	telling me whether this is a type or a sample
12	of one of the ads placed in Montana that you
13	are talking about?
14	A I don't remember this ad
15	specifically, but yes.
16	Q That's the kind of ad that you're
17	talking about?
18	A Well, this could well have been one,
19	but I just don't remember the specifics.
20	Q Was this part of a formal program
21	that had a name? I don't know, for example,

like "Victory '96," or something like that?

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1	A It had no name. It was part of the
2	legislative advocacy.
3	Q If it had a name, that would be what
4	it was designated as?
5	A Yes.
6	Q When did you begin this legislative
7	advocacy, these ads?
8	MR. BURCHFIELD: Referring to the
9	issue ads run in Montana of the sort of Exhibit
10	No. 2.
11	THE WITNESS: The ads in Montana we
12	did, I believe, in the spring of '96, which
13	would have been March, April, May, something
14	like that.
15	BY MS. WEISSENBORN:
16	Q What did the NRSC have as a purpose
17	of this program?
18	A The purpose of the program was to
19	promote the Republican agenda.
20	Q What agenda?
21	A The agenda of the leadership in the
22	Congress. We would receive internal calendars

1	from the Leader's office showing us the votes,
2	the planned votes, or the tentative schedule
3	that they wanted to follow in terms of bringing
4	issues before the Senate for a vote. And so we
5	would look at that and decide which issues we
6	wanted to advocate, to help pass the agenda in
7	the Congress.
8	Q So were you the person primarily
9	responsible for managing this program of
10	advertising?
11	A Yes, I was.
12	Q Fine. Did you consult with Senator
13	D'Amato on the contents, such as advertising?
14	Was he involved in that kind of thing?
15	A No, he wasn't.
16	Q Who was? First of all, who made the
17	decisions about the content?
18	MR. BURCHFIELD: We're still
19	referring to the Montana issue.
20	MS. WEISSENBORN: I'm talking
21	generally.

MR. BURCHFIELD: Well, in that event,

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I don't have any objection to her answering questions about who was involved in the issue ads that actually aired in Montana. That is, as I understand it, within the scope of your investigation.

But if you're trying to find out about issue ads that were aired in Rhode Island or aired around -- I don't know -- then that just isn't part of this investigation. It's not subject to the subpoena. If you focus your question on the issue of ads in Montana, I have no objection to that.

BY MS. WEISSENBORN:

- Q For now, let's say for the ones in Montana.
 - A I'm sorry. I'm lost.
- Q Would Senator D'Amato have been involved in working on the issues that were raised in the Montana ads?
 - A No, he wouldn't have been.

2	then who was? Who decided upon which issues to
3	use?
4	A Myself and the other people in my
5	staff worked on it, sort of a team approach.
6	Q What about
7	A But again, let me just clarify here.
8	You asked who would decide what issues we would
9	place?
10	Q Yes.
11	A Again, it was driven by the calendar
12	that I discussed, because we basically looked
13	at the calendar of the votes. I think at that
14	time it was, I guess, Senator Dole in the
15	beginning and then Senator Lott, who would put
16	out to show what issues were going to be coming
17	before what things were coming up for a
18	vote. So it was in that context we made those
19	decisions.
20	Q Who was it that decided on the timing

of the placement of the ads?

Well, again, that was driven by the

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calendar. Because our understanding of
legislative advocacy was it was an issue that
was before the Congress that was coming up or
was under consideration by the Congress. So
the timing was really driven by when the vote
was either planned to be scheduled or was
actually scheduled or actually occurred.

Q Why is it that you determined to place these ads so that they would be beamed into or within Montana? Why was Montana a state that was of interest?

A Well, there were a couple of reasons for that. One is that Montana is a very inexpensive state to run the television -- I think a week of television in Montana runs somewhere around \$27,000, give or take a few thousand, but somewhere around there. This wasn't a -- we didn't want to spend all of our money, obviously, on issue ads. And so relatively speaking, it was a very inexpensive state compared to other states.

Also, Senator Baucus was on the

finance committee. He had been a supporter of welfare reform. He had, sort of, broken rank with the Democrats on that issue. He was the only one who did, and in fact, he ended up later voting for welfare reform even on the floor.

So we thought that he was the person -- we were very close on the Balanced Budget Act to getting the amount of votes that we needed. We were just one or two shy. And so we wanted to spend our money the best place we could in terms of the likelihood of convincing someone to change their mind.

So the whole issue was that we lost by one vote, and if we could convince one more senator to vote for it, then it was a significant agenda that it would pass. And so that is the second reason we focused on Montana.

Q Now, is it correct that the Montana ads were allocated between your federal and nonfederal accounts? Is that correct that they

1	were treated as allocable expenditures?
2	MR. BURCHFIELD: Object, foundation.
3	You may answer.
4	THE WITNESS: To be honest, I wasn't
5	the person who handled the accounting stuff. I
6	assume it was I mean, I remember discussions
7	about that, but that wasn't really my job, so.
8	BY MS. WEISSENBORN:
9	Q By way of foundation, the first ads
10	in Montana were placed prior to the primary
11	there in June. The first ones, I believe, were
12	in April.
13	So did you consult with any of the
14	Republican candidates about the fact that these
15	ads were going to be placed?
16	A No.
17	Q Did you talk to anybody, either
18	candidates or their staffs, about the content
19	of the ads that you were thinking about?
20	A No, absolutely not.
21	Q Or the timing of them; did you talk

about that with any of them?

1	A No, we didn't.
2	Q Did the candidate committees,
3	Republican candidate committees, play any role
4	in the conceiving of these advertisements?
5	A No, they didn't, because
6	Q Would you have any conversations with
7	any of their consultants or people that you
8	knew to be consultants with Republican
9	candidates in Montana about these ads?
10	A No, I didn't.
11	Q Did you have any idea that they would
12	have had an influence or an effect on the
13	campaign themselves?
14	A I'm sorry?
15	Q Did you have any discussions among
16	yourselves, within the NRSC, about any effect
17	that these ads might have upon the campaigns of
18	these Republican candidates?
19	A The purpose of the ads was to try to
20	promote the Republican agenda. The purpose was
21	to try to get another vote for the balanced
22	budget or whatever issues we did. That was the

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Q Prior to the time that the ads ran, did you inform the candidates, the Republican candidates in Montana, that they were going to be appearing?

A No, we didn't.

Q After they started to run, did you as part of your policy share the scripts or videos with the candidates?

A Our policy, pretty much, was that after they went up, the ads went up, and they were actually on the air and running, we called the campaign, whatever campaign, and let them know. And we did that, like I say, the day -- usually the day they went up, and we probably did provide a copy of the script, although I don't remember doing it specifically.

The reason I say that we probably did is because we, as a matter of course, oftentimes we did provide the scripts to anyone who would ask, basically, once the ads went.

So I imagine we probably did. I don't remember

1	specifically doing it, but we probably did.
2	Q Would this have been a policy in
3	general or only applied to Montana?
4	First of all, let me go back. The
5	policy of not conferring with the candidates
6	prior to the placement of the ads; was that
7	specific to Montana or a general policy?
8	A That was a general policy that I
9	engaged in on advice of my legal counsel.
10	Q But then the sharing with them after
11	the fact, was that a general policy in any
12	state that happened to be affected?
13	A There was a general policy because
14	once the ad was up and running and it had been
15	produced, yes.
16	Q Once a candidate saw or heard a
17	particular ad or set of ads, did you have
18	someone call you and say, "Please stop"?
19	A I don't remember specifically anyone
20	doing that.
21	Q Do you have a general memory of that
22	happening?

1	A It's possible someone did, but I got
2	so many phone calls; that's why I say that I
3	don't remember specifically.
4	Q It is correct that Dennis Rehberg was
5	a Republican candidate for nomination to the
6	U.S. Senate from Montana in 1995-1996?
7	A That is correct.
8	Q And is it correct that he was the
9	eventual Republican nominee?
10	A Yes, that is correct.
11	Q Were you acquainted with Mr. Rehberg
12	prior to 1995?
13	A Oh, no.
14	Q When did you first meet him?
15	A I don't remember the exact date, but
16	it was in 1995, and I think it was probably the
17	summer of '95, June, July, August, somewhere in
18	there. I think I had been at the committee
19	about six months or something like that.
20	Q What kind of activities do you
21	remember the NRSC undertaking on his behalf

that you would have been involved with?

1	A Well, are you talking
2	Q Either before or after the
3	nomination.
4	A Okay. I was going to say, because
5	before the nomination we would have I don't
6	remember, like, a lot of specifics, but I know
7	generally what we did. We had a policy of
8	general things that we did for candidates
9	pre-primary, and we followed that with all our
10	candidates.
11	Q What kinds of things would that have
12	been?
13	A Oh, we would have helped them do the
14	things I talked about before, write a campaign
15	budget, write a finance plan. If he were
16	looking for consultants for various parts of
17	his campaign, we would set up interviews with
18	five or six different people. But I don't
19	remember doing it specifically with Dennis.
20	I'm just saying those were the kinds of things
21	we did.
22	Q Do you ever go out to Montana to meet

1	his campaign?
2	A No, I didn't.
3	Q Somewhere in something I saw a
4	reference to a Denver event that you may or may
5	not have gone to. Did you go out to Denver on
6	behalf of his campaign?
7	A No, I didn't.
8	Q Do you know Eddie Mahe?
9	A I do.
10	Q That's spelled M-a-h-e. When did you
11	first meet him?
12	A Oh, I don't remember. I think the
13	first time I meet Eddie was, maybe, in 1988.
14	Q Long time before '95, '96?
15	A I had met him. We weren't close or
16	anything. I had seen him probably two or three
17	times prior to working at the Senatorial
18	Committee.
19	Q To your knowledge, is it correct that
20	his company, Eddie Mahe Company, worked for the
21	Rehberg committee in 1995-1996?

To my knowledge it is correct.

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1	Q Are you acquainted with La Donna Lee?
2	A Yes.
3	Q During 1995 and 1996, do you know
4	where she was employed?
5	A She was employed by Eddie Mahe or a
6	partner or something, but she worked with Eddie
7	Mahe.
8	Q Would it have been as an employee of
9	the Eddie Mahe Company that you first got to
10	know her?
11	A It's when I first got to know her,
12	γes.
13	Q From your vantage point at the NRSC,
14	what was the role of Eddie Mahe Company with
15	the Rehberg campaign vis-a-vis your
16	organization?
17	A I'm not sure I understand.
18	Q What was it, from your point of view
19	from your role with the NRSC? How did the
20	Eddie Mahe Company relate to you with regard to
21	the Rehberg Campaign; were they the agent,

would you say, or representative of the

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1	campaign?
2	A They were consultants to the
3	campaign.
4	Q Were you that company's primary
5	contact with the NRSC?
6	A My guess is I probably was, as
7	political director.
8	Q Did you have frequent contact with
9	either La Donna Lee or Eddie Mahe during that
10	campaign?
11	A I wouldn't call it frequent, but we
12	did have contact, yes.
13	Q When you say not frequent, did you
14	have contact with them on certain subjects once
15	a week or how did that
16	A Oh, no, no. That's why I say not
17	frequent. I can't really assign a time period
18	to it. But maybe on average, once a month,
19	once every six weeks, not frequent. I mean, I
20	don't call that frequent, so.
21	O Did you have contact with one of them

more than the other?

1	A I definitely had more contact with
2	La Donna than Eddie.
3	Q Was the amount of contact you had
4	with their consultants comparable to that with
5	other Senate campaigns at the time, or was it
6	more or less or
7	A It was probably less, actually.
8	Q Do you have any idea why that would
9	have been true?
10	A Not really. A lot of it just depends
11	on personalities and whatever, and I just
12	didn't have that much contact.
13	Q The contact you had, what did it
14	usually involve? Particular services that the
15	NRSC was working on for the Rehberg campaign,
16	or what was the subject matter or the contents?
17	A As I remember, the contacts were
18	generally to give an update on how Dennis was
19	doing on fund-raising; that kind of thing, and
20	to make requests for things they wanted to us

do. Like, if they wanted us to help -- for

example, you mentioned the Denver event, if

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1	they wanted us to assist in helping with that
2	event.
3	Q Was that a fund-raising event, if you
4	know?
5	A Yes, it was a fund-raising event.
6	That was something we typically did for
7	candidates to provide assistance.
8	Q What kind of assistance would you
9	have provided?
10	A Oh, we would have given them advice
11	on how to set up the place, logistically, doing
12	like a line-by-line in terms if there were
13	special people coming, assisting them in
14	raising money, you know, just
15	Q Would you provide mailing lists or
16	invitation lists or things like that?
17	A No, we wouldn't have done that
18	because we didn't have any list to provide
19	outside of the formal list exchange; and also
20	because, as memory serves me, that was a
21	pre-primary fund-raiser, and we didn't do that

in pre-primary situations.

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1	Q I'm sorry, what is the phrase, the
2	"list exchange"; what was that?
3	A Oh, a list exchange is when a
4	candidate has a list and you trade lists.
5	There are FEC rules that govern this, and my
6	understanding is that it was something that was
7	done fairly often, and there were real strict
8	rules about it. It could only happen at
9	certain times, and it was very closely
10	monitored, so.
11	Q Going back to the Eddie Mahe Company
12	and their representatives, how would you
13	describe your relationship with La Donna Lee
14	and Eddie Mahe during this campaign?
15	A It was cordial.
16	Q Throughout the whole period, you
17	think; do you remember?
18	A It was basically cordial.
19	Q Were there any areas of disagreement
20	that arose during the campaign?
21	A I'm sure there were areas of

disagreement, but I think that's fairly typical

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1	in any relationship. But it was still
2	basically a cordial relationship.
3	Q As far as Mr. Rehberg's own campaign
4	staff in the state, did you ever meet Mike
5	Pieper, P-i-e-p-e-r?
6	A Yes, I did.
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Q Would he come to Washington with Mr. Rehberg; is that how you would have met him?

A I don't remember. I think he might have come with Dennis once. I don't know whether he came with Dennis or not. I can only speak to when I saw him. He may have come in with Dennis one time.

Where I remember Mike Pieper best, from meeting him and getting to know him a little bit, we had a campaign school, like a training event, and we invited representatives from all the campaigns across the country, and Mike Pieper came to that.

Q Would this have been before or after the nomination?

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1	A Oh, it was before. It was definitely
2	before.
3	Q What about Elizabeth Bonforte?
4	A I remember that name and gee, I
5	can't remember what Elizabeth did.
6	Q I believe she was the assistant
7	campaign manager.
8	A She may have been, I just
9	Q Steve McCarter, who was the press
10	manager?
11	A I don't know him, no.
12	Q Stan Ullman, finance director?
13	A No.
14	Q Janice Reaper?
15	A Jan, I do remember, yes.
16	Q Aside from the campaign school, do
17	you ever remember meeting with any of these
18	individuals separately from a meeting with
19	Mr. Rehberg? You know, he would be off doing
20	one thing, and somebody else from his campaign
21	would come in and meet with you?
22	A Mike Pieper stopped by the office

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1	right before he went out to work in Montana. I
2	mean, he was moving out to Montana. He did a
3	stop-by just to say, "Hello, I'm Dennis
4	Rehberg's new campaign manager." It was
5	literally like five minutes. Other than that,
6	I don't remember any of the individuals you
7	just mentioned coming by the office.
8	MS. WEISSENBORN: Okay. Let's take a
9	five-minute break.
10	MR. BURCHFIELD: All right.
11	(Recess)
12	MS. WEISSENBORN: I want to go back
13	just a minute to address your concern about the
14	preface to the subpoena. The language in that
15	preface telling what was going to be the
16	subject matter wasn't intended to limit that.
17	It was more a courtesy to let your client know
18	what was going to be the main focus of the
19	inquiry. Everything else that we ask,
20	certainly, is viewed as relevant. We're not
21	MR. BURCHFIELD: Is this on the
22	record?

MS. WEISSENBORN: Yes.

MR. BURCHFIELD: You may view this record as relevant, but I don't. And indeed, the subpoena, had these issues been pertinent to the examination or of central importance to the examination, I assume you would have listed them there. And indeed, in the factual legal analysis that underlies the reasonable belief fund, which is the charter for your ability to conduct the deposition and the investigation, is focused on the complaint relating to the issue ads run in Montana.

I'm sure you appreciate my situation.

I represent a client that is a political committee. It files reports on a timely basis with the Commission. It has a lot of complaints filed against it at the Commission.

It does a lot of business with you guys.

We can't come over here for depositions and subject a witness, who we had thought was going to be talking about one matter, to a broad range of inquiry from the

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So that's all I'm doing. I'm not trying to be difficult. I'm just trying to focus the deposition in on the matters that are, ultimately, going to be pertinent to the resolution of this investigation.

I really don't think I'm being unreasonable. In a federal court subpoena, if you issue a 30(b)(6) subpoena to an entity to produce a witness to give a deposition, then A, you have to list the topics you're going to ask about, and B, the witness is not required to answer questions that are beyond that, other than nominal background information. The case law on that is really very strong.

MS. WEISSENBORN: This is not a court, and I think the Commission and you have a difference of opinion as to what is the legitimate subject matter for this.

MR. BURCHFIELD: I appreciate that.

And if there are particular areas of inquiry
that you think are necessary for your
investigation that don't appear on their face
to be related to the issue that is at issue
here, I am persuadable on it. But I can't in
good conscience and in good service to my
client allow this to turn into broad range of
inquiry

I've been in depositions where other staff members of the FEC have tried to use particular cases and particular MUR investigations to investigate matters that go well beyond the scope of those cases. I'm very sensitive to that issue. If you've got matters that you think are pertinent that I don't agree with you on, I'm persuadable on it, but I think you understand my position.

MS. WEISSENBORN: Okay.

MS. BUMGARNER: I was just going to say, and I think Anne said it well, but there is a difference of opinion. I would just like to say that we are focusing on the Rehberg

campaign.	But as Anne said	earlier, we don't
operate in	a vacuum, and we	don't know certain
things abou	ut issue ads	

What we're trying to learn has nothing to do with other MURs or anything like that. It's all within the confines of this MUR. But in order for us to better understand what happened with the Rehberg campaign, it's helpful for us to find out a little bit more of a broad-based knowledge of just the issue advertising in general.

That's not to be used in the context of any other case. It's just for us to be able to ask better questions with more insight.

MR. BURCHFIELD: Are you telling me that the information in this deposition is not going to be made available to persons who are working on other matters pending against the NRSC?

MS. BUMGARNER: I'm not saying that.

What I'm saying at this point is the questions

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And if Anne will continue asking her questions, and you can state your objections as we go along.

MR. BURCHFIELD: And I'm really not trying to be difficult.

MS. WEISSENBORN: We're not trying to either.

MR. BURCHFIELD: We're spending an awful lot of time, it seems to me, arguing about this. As I previously told you, no one ever reads lawyer colloquy in a deposition. I know that.

MS. BUMGARNER: Now we know why.

MS. WEISSENBORN: It's hard enough for us to read the deposition.

MR. BURCHFIELD: Exactly. So I think we're taking up time on something that may turn out not to be as a big a problem. As we've decided, ask your questions; I'm taking them on a question-by-question basis.

I don't think is that I've precluded

1	Ms. Barnhart from answering something that is
2	reasonably related to the Montana situation.
3	So go ahead. If we have a dispute, we'll have
4	a civil, professional disagreement, and we'll
5	determine how to resolve it later on.
6	MS. BUMGARNER: That sounds fair.
7	BY MS. WEISSENBORN:
8	Q Just going back a little bit to
9	something you mentioned before, and you said
10	you had not discussed the issue ads, content,
11	timing, and so forth, with Mr. Rehberg or
12	anybody on his campaign; is that what you said?
13	A That is correct, yes.
14	Q And that you, in a more general
15	sense, had not done this with other candidates
16	also; is that correct?
17	A That is correct.
18	Q Would you expand a bit on why not,
19	why you did not discuss it with him?
5 0	MR. BURCHFIELD: Well, let me
21	instruct the witness that she may answer the

question, but please, to the degree your answer

L	might touch upon conversation you had with
2	counsel for the NRSC, please do not disclose
3	the substance of those conversations.
1	THE WITNESS: It was upon advice o

THE WITNESS: It was upon advice of legal counsel, which I believe I said before. That's the reason that I didn't.

MS. WEISSENBORN: But you're instructing her not to go beyond that?

MR. BURCHFIELD: That's right. It would be a privileged communication, that the NRSC legal counsel had a conversation about a legal issue with his client.

BY MS. WEISSENBORN:

Q Then you went on -- or maybe it was before -- to talk about the linkage that you see between issue ads and legislation before the Congress.

Since your argument is that these were legislatively oriented ads, was there an ad program in all of the 50 states?

MR. BURCHFIELD: I'll object as to the question. I just don't think it's

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MS. WEISSENBORN: Because if it were legislative, then it seems that one would be focusing on more than just a particular state or a certain set of states. I don't know.

That's the question.

MS. BUMGARNER: Yes.

MS. WEISSENBORN: That's the question: What was the criteria for what states the ads were run in?

MR. BURCHFIELD: Well, all right. I will let her answer the question as to whether there were issue ads run in other states. If you want to follow up with the question of why, if there were not ads run in all 50 states, Montana was chosen, you may ask that question as well. But I really don't want to get into a situation discussing why or why not ads were run in Rhode Island, to use the example we used before.

BY MS. WEISSENBORN:

- Q Were there ads run in all 50 states?
- A No, there were not ads run in all 50 states.
- Q And if not, then what did you look for in terms of looking for which states to run them in?

A Well, as I explained earlier, with regard to Montana, I think I explained the situation where on the Balanced Budget Act, for example, we had a very close vote; that Max Baucus had broken ranks with the Democrats on the welfare reform; therefore, the Republicans were trying to find one or two people to change their votes. He looked like he might be a good candidate to do that because of the fact that he had been willing to not vote party line on another issue.

And also, because Montana was a relatively inexpensive media buy in terms of the budget consideration.

Q There are some other states that I

1	would like to mention in a moment, but they
2	come up within the context of some of the
3	documents that we've received, so let's do it
4	at that time, not right now.
5	MS. WEISSENBORN: Let's have this
6	document, this set of documents, as No. 3.
7	(Barnhart Deposition Exhibit
8	No. 3 was marked for
9	identification.)
10	BY MS. WEISSENBORN:
11	Q Now, the calendars that I'm going to
12	show you we have received from the Rehberg
13	campaign
14	MR. BURCHFIELD: If we could use the
15	original, the one that's marked, that would be
16	great.
17	MS. WEISSENBORN: Oh, all right.
18	That's fine.
19	BY MS. WEISSENBORN:
20	Q I'm asking you really just to see if
21	this triggers your memory in terms of

particular events. The only ones that are

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1	highlighted there are NRSC-related events.
2	So, obviously, you have not seen this
3	before?
4	A No, I haven't.
5	Q On the page 2 for Monday, July 17,
6	1995; down at the bottom it says, "5:30 p.m.,
7	Meeting with Senator Alfonse D'Amato."
8	Do you remember going to a meeting
9	with Senator D'Amato and Mr. Rehberg? Do you
10	think you were at this meeting?
11	A I do remember going to a meeting with
12	them. I don't remember that it was necessarily
13	this day. I can't say.
14	Q Okay.
15	A But I do remember being at a meeting
16	with them, yes.
17	Q Was this standard procedure that you
18	would take, in this case, a candidate for the
19	nomination over to meet Senator D'Amato; would
20	you do that for most candidates?
21	A Oh, yes, yes. When people were in

town, we made every effort for them to meet

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Q Do you have any memory of the conversations, whether you talked about things that the NRSC could do for him as a candidate, that kind of thing?

A At that meeting with Senator D'Amato, no, we didn't really talk about that. If I recall and it's this meeting, and again, I'm not sure if it's this day, but it was really just a "Hello, how are you" introductory meeting. And we wouldn't have talked about what the NRSC could do for a candidate at those kinds of meetings. They were, really, just a higher-level get-acquainted meetings.

- Q Who is Beth Walker, the name appears on here?
- A Beth Walker is an employee through the corporate services division.
 - Q Of the NRSC?
 - A Of the NRSC, uh-huh.
- 21 Q She apparently was involved in 22 setting up these kind of meetings; is that

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A She was.

I should clarify that Beth changed positions partway through the cycle, and she handled -- she was the person who handled Senator D'Amato's schedule for the Committee. And in fact, now I can't actually remember when she became a member of corporate affairs. It may not have been until the end of the cycle. So she may well have just been the person who handled the schedule and things at that point in time. I really can't remember. Her responsibility was to do Senator D'Amato's schedule for NRSC activities.

Q Do you remember anyone else being with you besides you and Mr. Rehberg?

A For some reason I think Denny might have had someone else at the meeting, but I can't remember who it was. I really don't remember. But it was typical that candidates would bring their wife or a consultant or something. I just don't remember who

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2	Q Okay. These kinds of meetings, would
3	this be something you would do as part the
4	recruitment of candidates, or would you wait
5	until they actually declared their candidacy?
6	A It depended. It really depended.
7	There wasn't any standard.
8	Q All right. On the next page, which
9	is the next day, July 18, 1995, at 9:00 a.m.,
10	is reported a meeting with John Heubusch, the
11	executive director.
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13	do you remember?
14	A You know, I don't really remember. I
15	may have; I don't recall being in a meeting
16	specifically with John, but I could have been.
17	Q So you don't have any memory of what
18	they talked about?
19	A I don't. I really don't.
20	Q Okay. Then the next one at 9:15, is
21	a meeting at the NRSC. It says. "For

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Do you remember this meeting?

A I do remember this meeting. I do. I do remember this meeting.

0 Do you remember whether Mr. Rehberg came with anyone else from his campaign?

I'm pretty sure there were other people there with Dennis, but again, it's hard to remember who. I think Tony Paton was there. Yes, Tony was there, and he was a consultant to the Rehberg campaign. And there may have been one or two other people in the room, but to be honest, I don't really remember who they could have been, or who they were, so.

Again, was this standard procedure to Q have a group get-together like this with candidates early on in the campaign?

A Yeah, this was something we did regularly for all people who were either candidates or told us they were thinking about being candidates. And typically what I would

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group of	people it would have been, or	somebody
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types of	meetings.	

We would introduce ourselves to the people. We would explain the various services that we could provide pre-primary and post-primary and just introduce them, really, to the NRSC. And yeah, it was definitely something that we did many times at the Committee.

Well, first of all, I should ask, Q "Op-research," I'm assuming that means opposition research?

I'm assuming that's what it means, but I don't know what it is. I didn't write this. I would assume that's what they mean.

Sounds like the discussion went beyond just that topic?

Oh, yeah. We would have talked about what we could do from a press perspective. I talked about press releases, et cetera, and

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Precilla would have talked about what the financial services unit could do. We would have talked about -- in fact, we would have talked about what we could provide from our legal department in terms of FEC report, review, and that kind of thing, so.

- Q You mentioned Gordon, but I don't think we've said his last name.
 - A Hensley, Gordon Hensley.
- Q And he was head of the communications department; is that correct?
 - A Yes, he was director of communications.
 - Q By "communications" you mean what?
- 17 A Oh, the press, the media, earned
 18 media.
 - Q Was there any discussion at this meeting about advertising, media advertising, that you remember?
 - A No, I don't remember any discussion

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Q Do you remember any specific plans for the Rehberg campaign that came out of these meetings with Mr. Rehberg and his representatives, promises that were made or plans that were made for what you might do for him?

A No. In fact, we wouldn't have made any promises to anyone at that point in time, because the first primary we had in that cycle was in March, and it was in Illinois. I remember because it was an early primary, and then there weren't any primaries until, like, May or June.

So we didn't make promises to anyone in the pre-primary situation, because we didn't know who the eventual nominee would be. We didn't make promises in terms of anything.

Q It was more of an "if" kind of thing:
"If you win, we will do this and that or would
be willing to." Is that the gist of it?

1	A Well, it was really more just a
2	matter of saying, "These are the services that
3	we provide to people; this is the kind of
4	situation; these are the things that we're able
5	to do in the post-primary situation."
6	(Barnhart Deposition Exhibit
7	No. 4 was marked for
8	identification.)
9	BY MS. WEISSENBORN:
10	Q Again, this is a schedule that we've
11	received from Mr. Rehberg, and it is shown to
12	you just to trigger your memory, so to speak.
13	On the first page, this is a schedule
14	of a trip that he made to Washington in October
15	of '95, and down at the bottom of the first
16	page, and that date is wrong. That should have
17	been the 24th. As you can see, there are two
18	23rds on that.
19	MR. BURCHFIELD: No wonder he lost.
20	BY MS. WEISSENBORN:
21	O On October 24 at 4:00 he was

scheduled to be at a steering committee

meeting.	We're	assu	ming	that	is	an	NRSC
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A Steering committee meetings were actually things that were handled by the corporate affairs division and not us. And while they were held at NRSC, they were not NRSC meetings. In other words, it wasn't an NRSC steering committee. It was a fund-raising steering committee that many candidates created among the people in Washington, and they would have them.

That was one of the uses -- that would be an example of one of the things we would say we could do for you pre-primary.

"You may use our facility when you are in Washington; you may make phone calls or hold meetings here or whatever." And that's what the steering committee meeting would be.

- Q So it wasn't a committee that was establishing NRSC policy?
 - A Oh, no.
 - Q It was others?

1	A No, it was like fund-raising. It was
2	a generic term, and it was a fund-raising
3	steering committee.
4	Q Did you often go to meetings of the
5	steering committees like this?
6	A On occasion.
7	Q Would you probably have been at this
8	one or do you remember being at this one?
9	A I don't remember, but I could have
10	been. I did it when I was asked to. I really
11	don't remember specifically this one.
12	Q So you don't remember who was on it?
13	A Oh, no.
14	Q What individuals were on it?
15	A No, I wouldn't have any idea, no.
16	Q The next page of the exhibit covers
17	the same period of time; that is a calendar.
18	Go back to Monday the 23rd at 9:30, there is an
19	*Interview with Mike Myers of The Hill at
20	NRSC." Is that, again, the usual kind of thing
21	that the NRSC does? Would you have arranged

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1	A We could have. Sometimes when
2	candidates were coming to town, we would at
3	their request, if they wanted us to contact
4	The Hill or Hotline or Roll Call. Sometimes
5	they contacted them themselves. Sometimes they
6	needed a place to meet. But I don't know the
7	specifics of this one, but it was a typical
8	thing that would happen, yes.
9	Q Then the same thing the next day, at
10	11:30, "Meeting with Steve Hart." Do you know
11	who Steve Hart is?

- I do. I know Steve Hart, yes, I do. A
- Would that have been a reporter situation?
- No, that was probably a fund-raising situation. He's not a reporter.
- Is that something that you probably would have arranged?
 - A Probably not.
 - Again, using the facilities but --
- A Yes, using the facilities, but not the meeting.

	Q	Okay.	Then,	the	next,	" 1	:45,	Mee	ting
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A I don't remember arranging that.

Again, it could have been something that we set up the interview, or we just simply made arrangements for the room to be used and they set up the interview, just like with the other situation. Yes, those were the typical ones we would contact.

Q And then the very last part of this is a newspaper article, and the reason I included it is on the last column, the very first line it talks about "two fund-raising events in Washington. One is a 'meet and greet luncheon' today sponsored by James McClure."

What do they mean by "meet and greet," first of all; do you know?

A Yeah. Generally -- well, I say generally what a meet and greet is -- I assume that's what this was -- when a candidate was running who had not held public office or

federal public office before and was therefore unfamiliar with people in the Washington area and members of the Senate and just the Committee here, it was fairly typical for a senator to sponsor a lunch where there was no cost to come.

It was simply an opportunity to come and meet the individual. They would generally get up and talk and, you know, talk about their candidacy and why they were running. And it was really just sort of a "Hello, how are you," get to see what the person is like and provide them an opportunity to meet some of the people in Washington.

Q Is this the kind of thing your office would do? Not necessarily this one; in general would you do this kind of arranging?

A We didn't handle the meeting groups. We would have probably set up the room for the meet and greet, you know, if they, in fact, did it at NRSC. I don't know that they did.

Q It doesn't really say, no.

A I don't really remember. But if they
did, we would have done that and put them in
contact with the caterer or whatever or gotten
our corporate affairs division to do that. But
we would not have, like, invited, handed out
invitations. The campaign would have done that
themselves.

MS. WEISSENBORN: I would like to introduce another, Exhibit No. 5.

(Barnhart Deposition Exhibit
No. 5 was marked for
identification.)

BY MS. WEISSENBORN:

A I don't recognize it specifically, but it appears it was an NRSC news release.

Do you recognize this document?

Q A news release talking about potential media activities, and it's dated Thursday, October 19, 1995. This copy was apparently, as you can see up at the top, at the very top line, faxed to La Donna Lee of Eddie Mahe's company the same day that it was

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Was this a routine procedure, to send out press releases like this to persons working with campaigns, or why would she have been sent this?

A It was routine, if we did a new release that mentioned a state where there was an active Senate race, to provide copies of the new releases to the campaign or whoever the campaign had designated as the person they wanted to receive them, yes.

Q Do you remember discussing this news release or the issues of it or the content of it with Mr. Rehberg when he was in Washington, right after this came out in October? We have been looking at the schedule; he was here the 23rd and 24th and so forth.

A No, I don't. In fact, I don't really remember the release, so no.

Q But do you remember discussing with him a prospective ad campaign for 1996?

A No, absolutely not. I didn't. It's

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Q Even if you didn't discuss the prospective ad campaign, as such, do you remember any discussions with Mr. Rehberg about a campaign in opposition to Senator Baucus, what kind of issues might be addressed in that kind of discussion?

A As I recall, most of my discussions with Dennis were about fund-raising and the fact that he really needed to raise more money than he had; that he needed to be focusing more of his efforts on fund-raising. That was what we spent most of our time talking about.

Q Now, I would like to go back to
Exhibit No. 4 just for a moment, speaking of
fund-raiser. Down at the very bottom of the
first page under Tuesday, October 23 at 5:30,
there was a PAC fund-raiser at the home of Cy
and Linda Jamison scheduled here.

Would that have been a function that the NRSC would have been involved in? Did you

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A No, I didn't. In fact, we had a policy that we didn't do that.

Q "That" meaning?

A The policy that we operate under, this was, again, a pre-primary situation, was that if events were hosted at the NRSC; in other words, not by us, but if they occurred at the NRSC, people were allowed to attend them.

We didn't --

Q You mean your own people?

A Yeah, we didn't help get people there. We just were allowed to attend. If they were off of the NRSC property, then we didn't go because, again, it got back to the whole perception thing of being neutral in primary or not being neutral in the primary.

So no, I didn't -- I would not have had anything to do with this, nor would anyone at Committee.

MS. WEISSENBORN: This probably is a good time to break for lunch before we go on to

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1 AFTERNOON SESSION 2 (1:30 p.m.)3 Whereupon, JO ANNE B. BARNHART 5 was recalled as a witness and, having been 6 previously duly sworn, was examined and 7 testified further as follows: 8 EXAMINATION BY FEC COUNSEL CONTINUED 9 MS. WEISSENBORN: Back on the record. 10 Let's start with Exhibit No. 6. 11 (Barnhart Deposition Exhibit 12 No. 6 was marked for 13 identification.) 14 BY MS. WEISSENBORN: 15 0 Again, this is a calendar supplied by 16 Mr. Rehberg. So you wouldn't have seen it 17 before, I know, but the items that are still visible all relate to NRSC contacts of some 18 19 kind or another.

on Thursday, March 21, 1996. Do you remember

meeting with Mr. Rehberg on that day?

I draw your attention down to 10:00

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1	A I don't remember specifically that
2	day, but we did occasionally meet.
3	Q So this would be in the spring of
4	'96, in other words?
5	A I don't remember specifically, but it
6	could have happened, yeah.
7	Q Do you have any recollection of what
8	you might have been talking about with him?
9	A Again, I can't specifically remember
10	that meeting. Generally, when we met, he would
11	stop by and talk about how fund-raising was
12	going or where he was, about how he was going
13	around the state, just a general campaign
14	update kind of thing, very upbeat and positive.
15	Q Do you have any recollection of
16	discussing an upcoming advertising campaign
17	involving the issue ads we've talked about?
18	A I not only have no recollection, I'm
19	sure I didn't do that. This was again, on
20	the advice of counsel, I wouldn't have done
21	that.
22	O Do you remember whether they were any

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3	A I don't remember specifically, but
4	there could have been.

- But did you ever show him any at that point or later?
 - Α No, I didn't show him any scripts.
- And I know some of this is repetitious, but did you ever discuss potential timing of the placement of such ads on stations in Montana?
- Since I didn't discuss ads with No. him, I wouldn't have discussed timing.
- Okay. Did you ever hear about anyone else at the NRSC discussing issue ads with Mr. Rehberg?

And I would like to say that I No. had made it very clear to my staff that these matters were not to be coordinated or discussed, shared in any way with anyone, any candidates or campaign, again, based on the advice of my legal counsel.

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really meant it, and I have absolutely no
reason to believe that they would have. They
were all honest, hard-working, serious people
and so, no.

Q In a broader sense, aside from the question of the issue ads as such, do you ever remember discussing potential campaign issues with him that he was planning to focus on in Montana, or that you would suggest to him?

A I don't remember anything specifically, no.

Q Back on the exhibit, at 12:00 that same day, on Thursday the 21st, it says, "Fund-raising luncheon at the NRSC with GZ, CER attending." Do you know who "GZ" would be or "CER"?

A I have no idea.

Q Do you remember there being such an event at NRSC?

A No, but there could have been. This says there was. There probably was. But it

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and do	it, so.						

Q You probably said this before, but did your office actually do the arranging and who to invite and that kind of thing?

A We wouldn't have done that kind of thing. We would have either made arrangements ourselves to schedule the use of the room and referred it to a caterer, or contacted corporate affairs and have them do it. We wouldn't have anything to do with invitations or anything at that point, because this is a pre-primary situation, and we didn't engage in that kind of activity.

Q And then under that, at 1:30 it says, "Senatorial committee one-on-ones." What does that mean?

A You know, I don't know what that means.

Q Okay.

1	A I don't know.
2	Q It's not a term of art, so to speak,
3	within the NRSC?
4	A No. Actually, generally, I think it
5	means meeting with one person at a time, but I
6	don't know what it means.
7	Q That didn't have a special meaning,
8	as far as you know?
9	A Oh, no.
10	MS. WEISSENBORN: I would like to
11	introduce No. 7, and let's do these two
12	together.
13	(Barnhart Deposition Exhibits
14	Nos. 7 and 8 were marked for
15	identification.)
16	BY MS. WEISSENBORN:
17	Q As an introduction to this phase of
18	the deposition, I have a series of press
19	releases of ads, and there's a separate
20	document package, copies of checks that you had
21	provided of authorization forms or sometimes

memorandum; sometimes one or the other.

And part of what I would like to do,
because I can't tell and we'll go into a
little bit more whether the check that I've
attached relates to the ads. Or as we go
along, if you can, if it makes sense, if they
go together maybe they don't. I'm not
saying that they do, okay?

In this case, No. 7 is an ad, press release for an ad, that apparently began to run on April 16, 1996, and an attachment. Do you recognize this ad as something that actually ran? Is that discussed in the --

A Again, let me say, and I'm not trying to be difficult, I can't tell you that I absolutely recognize this specific ad, but it probably was an ad. I just don't remember all the scripts and everything verbatim, but yeah, it probably was.

Q So the subject matter and the format and that sort of the thing?

A Yeah, just because it's basically the way we lay things out, and it was Montana that

	3	Q Okay. So assuming that this did, in
	4	fact, run on April 16, why would that have been
L	5	the date for this particular ad, not the
	6	specific date, but that period of time?
<u>=</u>	7	A Well, again, as I explained earlier,
e C M	8	we had an internal calendar that we looked at.
[] : :	9	We looked at when votes were coming up, and I
	10	don't remember the specific dates as these
	11	dates but the next balanced budget
	12	Q In this case, term limits?
	13	A or term limits or whatever was
	14	scheduled for. But there were definite issues
	15	that were on the calendar that were coming
	16	before the Senate at some point in the future.
	17	So that was really what it was about.
	18	Q Okay. Were you involved in the
	19	preparation of this particular ad campaign; do

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1	particular ad?
2	BY MS. WEISSENBORN:
3	Q Yes.
4	A I was involved in the preparation,
5	like I say, of an ad like this that ran. I
6	assume this is the ad, yes.
7	Q Who actually wrote the scripts of an
8	ad like this?
9	A For this particular ad or for the ads
10	that we did in Montana? It was a team
11	approach, basically.
12	Q But in-house?
13	A Oh, yes. Well, in-house we might
14	have had consultants sitting in working with
15	us, but it was done at NRSC, yes.
16	Q Again, I know this is repetitious,
17	but was this language shown to anyone
18	representing the Rehberg campaign?
19	MR. BURCHFIELD: Object. Asked and
20	answered, assuming that the question means
21	prior to the time the ad actually aired.
22	MS. WEISSENBORN: I do mean prior to

	1	the	time.
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MR. BURCHFIELD: I think she has consistently given you the answer to that question.

Ms. Barnhart can answer it again.

THE WITNESS: No, it was not shown prior to the time that it ran.

BY MS. WEISSENBORN:

Q Was it ever read to someone over the phone or something like that as opposed to being physically shown to them?

A Oh, to my knowledge, in no way was this ad, the contents of this ad, shared with the Rehberg campaign prior to its running. As I explained, we had a very strict policy on that; that was communicated to my staff, and I oversaw this process and so, no.

Q And again, I know you have touched on this before when you were talking about the press release, the other, earlier one, the fax, up at the top, it says that this was faxed to La Donna Lee on the same day as it was

released. Would you just tell me the scenario?

A I think, as I mentioned before, we had a policy that when we sent out press releases that mentioned a state or a Senate race was taking place, we would fax it to that campaign person -- the person that campaigns it. Normally, it was the campaign that requested a specific person, and then that was the person we sent it to.

Q Now, the second and third page, can you tell me what that is?

A Uh-huh. This is the script of the ad on the left-hand side, and on the right-hand side, it is the information, the research that verifies that that is, in fact, a correct statement. This was something we felt was important to do to show the veracity of the script.

Q And apparently, given the fax information up at the top that this went out to the candidate or the committees with the press release, you sent the whole package; correct?

1	A I assume that was the case. It says,
2	"See attached documentation"; so this is the
3	documentation that's referred to.
4	MR. BURCHFIELD: Objection to the
5	form of the question. I don't think you intend
6	this implication, but you might want to clarify
7	that the press releases did not go only to the
8	candidates.
9	THE WITNESS: Right.
10	MR. BURCHFIELD: But the question
11	might be read later by someone who wasn't here
12	that was the intent and the substance.
13	THE WITNESS: We had a blast-fax
14	capability at the committee. And when we put
15	out a press release like this, it would go out
16	to media, probably hundreds of hundreds of
17	media outlets across the country, as well as to
18	the campaign. So yes. Yes.
19	And I appreciate the clarification
20	because absolutely, yeah.

BY MS. WEISSENBORN:

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1	everybody, then, this whole package?
2	A Yeah. It says, "See attached
3	documentation"; this is the documentation. So
4	the whole package would have gone to everybody
5	who got the release.
6	Q Fine. On the other package of
7	documents, No. 8, a check for \$32,800 for radio
8	buys, a check written on an account of the
9	National Republican Senatorial Committee dated
LO	April 11, 1996; attached to it is a check
11	authorization form involving the same amount of
L 2	money.
L 3	Let's just take the authorization
L 4	form first. On the right side it says
L 5	"division," the political division. That would
۱6	have been your division; right?
L 7	A That's correct.
L 8	Q The "contact person, Greg Strimple."
L 9	Is it correct that he was the person, then?
20	Why was his name on there?

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1	Media Services. He worked for me, and this was
2	part of the whole process of running ads.
3	Q Down in the middle where it says,
4	"Authorized for payment," over on the left,
5	"Division director," whose initials are those?
6	A I think those are Greg's initials.
7	Q So he had the authority to authorize
8	this kind of payment; is that correct?
9	A He had the authority as granted by
10	me. Although, I can't speak to this specific
11	document, if I were not in the office for some
12	reason, we talked on the phone or whatever and
13	I would say, "Okay, you can go ahead and sign
14	something so that something can move." But he
15	would have consulted with me.
16	Q And the next page is a memorandum
17	dated April 11, 1996, to Greg Strimple from
18	Dwight Sterling. Who is Dwight Sterling or who
19	was he at that time?
20	A He is a person that worked for Multi
21	Media. He's a time buyer.

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1	second sentence, "The schedules will air in
2	parts of four states: Iowa, Massachusetts,
3	Minnesota and Montana."
4	First of all, let me back up a
5	moment. Would you say that this payment in
6	part reflects the payment for this ad? Would
7	you know or can you tell?
8	A The way that I would determine that
9	would be by looking at the purchase order
10	number, and if there was a purchase order
11	number somewhere definitely tying the two
12	together.
13	Q Here, would it be this one
14	(indicating)?
15	A Yes.
16	Q The 21789?
17	A Yes.
18	Q And then this ad that we've been
19	looking at, would that be the one that is
20	discussed, as far as Montana is concerned, in

To be honest, I can't say

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definitively that it is, because I don't see	_
anything here that identifies tying this ad	
specifically to this purchase order. But this	3
is clearly for radio ads.	
Q Do you remember doing four radio ads	3

Q Do you remember doing four radio ads in four states at this particular time; does that ring a bell?

A I don't remember doing four ads in four states.

Q So do you remember whether this particular ad -- which the way it was written here and what we have in front of us is for Montana -- whether language comparable to this but with, perhaps, the names of candidates changed or the names of senators changed would have been shown in the other three states?

MR. BURCHFIELD: Objection. Scope and relevance to this proceeding.

MS. WEISSENBORN: The relevance is that we are attempting to determine whether Montana was a program unto itself or whether it was treated differently in that sense, or

1	whether it was treated the same as other
2	places.
3	MR. BURCHFIELD: Whether there was a
4	similar advertisement in Iowa, Massachusetts,
5	or Minnesota doesn't really bear upon either of
6	the two issues that are set out in the factual
7	and legal analysis concerning the Montana ads.
8	Indeed, I think it makes pretty clear
9	that the only two issues in this MUR are
10	whether the ads I think the Commission uses
11	the term "electioneering," and we will argue
12	along that here; and second, whether they were
13	coordinated with the candidate in Montana.
14	I just don't see how an inquiry about
15	the content, the timing, the costs, the
16	personnel involved in Iowa, Minnesota, and
17	Massachusetts ads are going to help shed any
18	light on either of those two issues.
19	MS. WEISSENBORN: Are you instructing
20	your client not to answer that?
21	MR. BURCHFIELD: Yes, I am.

BY MS. WEISSENBORN:

1	Q Did Multi Media Services handle all
2	of your media placement?
3	MR. BURCHFIELD: But let me say, as I
4	indicated earlier, if you can give me an
5	explanation of why this is pertinent to this
6	investigation, I'll consider it.
7	MS. WEISSENBORN: I just did.
8	MR. BURCHFIELD: And I disagree with
9	that explanation, which, as I understand it,
10	was that you were trying to see if there were
11	similar ads being run in other states?
12	MS. WEISSENBORN: No. It was whether
13	Montana was treated as an entity unto itself or
14	whether it was a part of a larger program.
15	MR. BURCHFIELD: But I don't
16	understand how that bears on either of the two
17	issues.
18	MS. WEISSENBORN: Okay. I would say
19	it does.
20	MR. BURCHFIELD: Okay.
21	BY MS. WEISSENBORN:
22	O Was Multi Media Services Cornoration

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1	your media placement firm, I guess, for all of
2	your ads at this point?
3	A I don't really remember if they were
4	for all the ads or not. I know they did
5	place I know they did place some of the ads
6	for Montana. I don't remember if we did it
7	all.
8	Q It is generally true that prepayment
9	is always required for placing radio and
10	television ads?
11	A Yes, it's true.
12	Q So any check that was written after
13	the date of an ad could not be related to that
14	ad, probably?
15	A Probably not.
16	Q Let's see. So to reiterate what you
17	said a minute ago, the only way that we would
18	be able to tell that this ad was paid for with
19	this check was if there was some indication of

Who in your organization would know

(indicating).

a mutual purchase order, and there isn't here

1	now? Is there anybody there now that would
2	have information as to what check paid for
3	what?
4	A They would have the same information
5	that we're looking at now. The script wouldn't
6	have attached itself all the way through the
7	process. So I think I would I think what
8	I'm saying is if anyone would know, I know.
9	MS. WEISSENBORN: Let's try another
10	one. How about Nos. 9 and 10.
11	(Barnhart Deposition Exhibits
12	Nos. 9 and 10 were marked for
13	identification.)
14	BY MS. WEISSENBORN:
15	Q Do you recall this ad that is
16	represented in this news release that began to
17	air on April 12, 1996, in Montana?
18	A Well, as I think I mentioned before,
19	I definitely remember running an ad about the
20	Balanced Budget Act, and this may well be.

Again, I'm not trying to be difficult. I just

can't remember specifically scripts because

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L	there were drafts of scripts and things. So	
2	this is probably that ad.	
•	O Put it is safe to say that if it got	

Q But it is safe to say that if it got to a point of sending out a news release, that probably meant that ad itself did run?

A Yeah. If you're asking me if I remember --

Q Right.

A I'm not trying to be difficult. All I'm saying is I can't remember, like, the specific things, but it is attached to this press release. We ran an ad on the balanced budget, so this is probably it.

I mean, I'm accepting the document as the actual attachment to the press release.

I'm just saying that in point of fact, I can't remember every single script that ran. That's the only point I wanted to clarify.

Q Right. Were you involved in the creation of this ad?

A Yes, I was, uh-huh. Again, on the balanced budget ad, you know, so.

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1	Q Now, I know this is repetitious, but
2	would La Donna Lee have seen this ad prior to
3	its going out, being aired?
4	MR. BURCHFIELD: Objection. Asked

and answered several times.

You can answer it again.

MS. BUMGARNER: I don't think it is at all.

MR. BURCHFIELD: But you've asked generally the same question. I mean, it's like saying, "Okay, this is a check for \$32,637.50 and did the 50 cents go to the ad; did the \$7 go to the ad; did the \$30 go to the ad; did the \$600 go to the ad."

I mean, you don't have to ask when there has been no equivocation in the answer. You don't have to ask the question every single way in every single circumstance. There has been an unequivocal statement at least five times today that they did not show the ads in advance. And I just think it is repetitious and a waste of time, but it's your deposition.

1	I've made my objection. So go ahead.
2	BY MS. WEISSENBORN:
3	Q The answer is?
4	A I'm sorry, the question again?
5	Q Whether or not La Donna Lee would
6	have seen this?
7	A No, she wouldn't have.
8	Q And looking at the check, which is
9	Exhibit No. 10, can you tell from this and the
10	memorandum that is attached to the check
11	whether they related to the ad in Exhibit
12	No. 9?
13	A Well, again, as I said before,
14	because of the fact there's no purchase order
15	attached for anything, I can't say definitely.
16	But obviously, this memo speaks about a radio
17	ad, and the time frame is April 25 to May 3.
18	This was issued on April 22. I would assume
19	that.
20	Q Do you keep purchase orders or
21	invoices, or I guess this memorandum was
22	intended to serve as that?

1	A Did I keep them?
2	Q Yes, or did NRSC, yes.
3	A No. That was the way of moving paper
4	through the agency and showing that the
5	appropriate level person had signed out on the
6	expenditure of either purchasing or expending
7	funds to purchase something, or whatever, like
8	time in this case. So no, there was no reason
9	for me to keep them.
10	Q In this case we're missing the
11	authorization. I guess this served, the stamp,
12	right, as the same thing (indicating)?
13	A What happened sometimes if a PO
14	didn't go through at the earlier we would
15	deal with it. That was the way accounting
16	if there was a nonpursue attached, they would
17	send it back up for authorization that way.
18	Q Do you have any other way of linking
19	a payment with a particular ad or with
20	particular language in an ad?
21	A It wasn't really felt necessary to do
22	that. I didn't. I don't know if anyone else

a break

2	MS. WEISSENBORN: Let's take a break
3	for about just five minutes.
4	(Recess)
5	(Barnhart Deposition Exhibits
6	Nos. 11 through 20 were marked
7	for identification.)
8	BY MS. WEISSENBORN:
9	Q Looking at just the scripts, which
10	would be Nos. 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, and 19, those
11	exhibits, I'm going to ask my repetitious
12	question one more time and that is: Were
13	Mr. Rehberg or any of his representatives,
14	either staff members or consultants, shown the
15	scripts of these ads prior to their being
16	aired?
17	A No.
18	Q For those for which there is not a
19	press release attached, for example, No. 14, do
20	you remember whether there was an ad that

I didn't, so I don't think so.

actually went out on the air with that content?

A I really don't remember. I do

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Q Looking at the checks and their backup material, which would be Exhibits

Nos. 12, 17, 18, and 20, based upon whether it's the amount of the check or whatever indication you might have, can you link any of those checks with particular ads that are in front of us, where we have the texts in front of us?

A I can't link it with a particular ad other than to the extent we're talking about television and some 30-second script. But in terms of saying it's that particular ad, I couldn't do that for sure.

Q One more visit that Mr. Rehberg, apparently, made to Washington, I wanted to ask you about.

MS. WEISSENBORN: This is be No. 21.

(Barnhart Deposition Exhibit

No. 21 was marked for

identification.)

BY MS. WEISSENBORN:

Q Well, this was a document you may have seen because it was an exhibit to the complaint in this matter. It's apparently a transcript of his appearance on a radio show on May 1 in which he talks about having flown to Washington, and down at the last sentence, on meeting with the National Republican Senatorial Committee. Do you remember a meeting with him on May 1, 1996?

A I don't remember a meeting on that specific day.

Q Do you remember one really close to that or around that point?

A It's very difficult from a time perspective to say they were on a date or not. I do remember Dennis stopping by my office a couple of times in the pre-primary time period just to say, "Hi, I was in town; things are going great," that kind of thing. Beyond that, I can't tell you exactly what day it was or anything like that, okay.

1	Q Or what you talked about?
2	A Other than just he was always very
3	he's a really positive, upbeat kid. He was
4	always telling me how well things were going.
5	Q Okay. Besides the meetings that
6	we've shown you as listed on Mr. Rehberg's
7	calendars and the radio transcript, do you
8	remember any other meetings with him, to begin
9	with?
10	A Other than, as I have just described
11	to you, the kind of stop-by thing and that,
12	literally, he would stand out my office and
13	say, "Hi, I was in town." And the ones we
14	described earlier; the one where I have my
15	whole staff there.
16	Q I was including that as one that was
17	on his calender. But anything that did not
18	appear on his calendar or that kind of thing we
19	talked about?
20	A Other than I just described, no, I

Do you remember any other meetings

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don't.

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1	without him with any member of his staff,
2	Mr. Pieper or anyone else on his committee
3	staff that we haven't talked about?
4	A I do remember meeting with La Donna
5	Lee.
6	Q When would that have been, about; do
7	you remember?
8	A Probably the fall of '95 or something
9	like that. Again, I'm talking in this time
10	period. We had lunch.
11	Q Do you remember anything about what
12	you discussed?
13	A The same kinds of things. She was a
14	consultant to the campaign. She would tell me
15	what a great candidate Dennis was, and just
16	general political talk like that. It was one
17	of those sort of friendly lunches, you know,
18	sort of.
19	Q Did you ever do something like that
20	with Eddie Mahe?
21	A No, I didn't.
22	Q But you said earlier that La Donna

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1	was	your	primary	contact?

- A Yes, she was.
- Mr. Rehberg or any of his representatives, including his consultants, had had meetings with anyone else at the NRSC that we haven't talked about? Aside from the one where we went through with the list of people that were there and so forth, do you remember hearing that he was talking with anybody else, he or any of his reps?
 - A No, I don't.
- What I believe we've heard from you today as far as information given to candidates or not given. So see if this is a correct statement:

 That you have testified that at no time was

 Mr. Rehberg apprised of the fact that an advertisement, an issue ad, was going to be run prior to its being run; is that correct?
 - A That's correct.
 - Q And the same would hold true with his

2	that an ad was going to be run prior to its
3	being run?
4	A That's correct.
5	Q I want to clarify for the record,
6	we're talking about the ads that have been the
7	subject of this, the ones that the NRSC has
8	characterized as "issue ads." I'm not
9	characterizing them as that, but that is what
10	you have said that they are; right?
11	A I'm sorry. I'm not understanding the
12	question.
13	MS. BUMGARNER: It's just a
14	clarification.
15	BY MS. WEISSENBORN:
16	Q Also, I just want to clarify that you
17	said that you have no calendars or logs or
18	other information citing meetings with the
19	Rehberg campaign, Mr. Rehberg, or any of his
20	representatives; you did not retain such

consultants, that at no time were they apprised

That is correct. I didn't retain

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1	anything, right.
2	MS. WEISSENBORN: Do you have any
3	questions you want to ask?
4	MR. BURCHFIELD: No. Thank you for
5	being so expeditious.
6	MS. WEISSENBORN: It's our policy to
7	not close depositions, but to adjourn them just
8	in case we ever might want to ask you back.
9	The chances are very slim.
10	But just in case, I'm sure your
11	attorney will talk to you about having a chance
12	to go to the reporter's office and read the
13	deposition if you want to.
14	MR. BURCHFIELD: We would like to
15	read.
16	(Whereupon, at 2:24 p.m. the
17	deposition of JO ANNE B.
18	BARNHART was adjourned.)
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I, SHARON McKINNON, the officer before whom the foregoing deposition was taken, do hereby certify that the witness whose testimony appears in the foregoing deposition was duly sworn by me; that the testimony of said witness was taken by me in stenotypy and thereafter reduced to print under my direction; that said deposition is a true record of the testimony given by said witness; that I am neither counsel for, related to, nor employed by any of the parties to the action in which this deposition was taken; and, furthermore, that I am not a relative or employee of any attorney or counsel employed by the parties hereto, nor financially or otherwise interested in the outcome of this action.

Notary Public in and for the

District of Columbia

My Commission Expires: June 30, 2000

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DRAFT NRSC RADIO:60 - "1974-BAUCUS"

Music up and under

ANNCR:

1974.

The top movie is "Godfather Part IL"

(SFX under Anner. - Machine gun fire)

"Streaking," becomes a national fad.

(SFX under Anner. = teenager yelling/running outdoors)

Max Baucus goes to Washington, and our national debt is \$484 billion.

A lot's changed in 21 years - for example, Max Baucus's salary has more than tripled, from \$42,000 to \$133,000 a year.

And the national debt has skyrocketed to \$5 trillion.

What have we gotten from Baucus's 21 long liberal years?

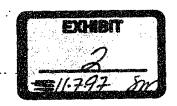
More taxes and more debt.

Liberal Baucus voted for five of the largest tax increases in American history. In one vote alone, he increased taxes on Montana families by \$2600 a year.

Baucus even voted to raise taxes on social security, small businesses, and gasoline.

Call liberal Max Baucus. Tell him to balance the budget. Tell him he was wrong to raise our taxes and spend us into debt. Tell him to vote for the majority's plan to balance the budget.

Paid for by the National Republican Senatorial Committee



Denny Rehberg

Sunday ~ July 16th

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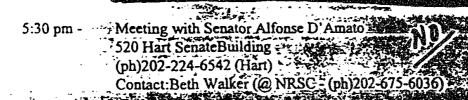
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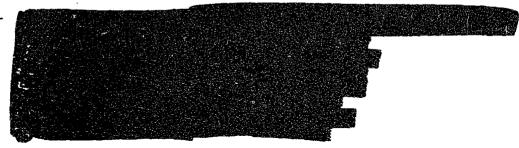






Denny Rehberg Tuesday ~ July 18th

8:00 am -



9:00 am - NRSC

Meeting with John Heubusch (Executive Director)

425 2nd St., NE

(ph)202-675-6000

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Contact: Wes Anderson

9.15 am - Meeting w/

Wes Anderson (MT Rep, Coalitions Director)

Ed Rahall (PAC Director)

Gordon Hensley (Communications)

JoAnn Barnhardt (Political Services Director)

Greg Striple (Polling)

Precilla Russo (Financial Services)

at NRSC - for presentation on Op-research

425 2nd St., NE ---

(ph) 202-675-6000

Contact: Wes Anderson





Rehberg Schedule

SATURDAY - OCTOBER 21

9:00am -

SUNDAY - OCTOBER 22

6:00pm

MONDAY - OCTOBER 23

9:30am - 10:00am

1:15pm - 1:50pm

2:00pm - 2:30pm

2:30pm - 3:00pm Builders

6:00pm - 7:00pm

TUESDAY - OCTOBER 23

9:30am -10:00am

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12:00pm - 1:30pm

1:45pm - 2:30pm

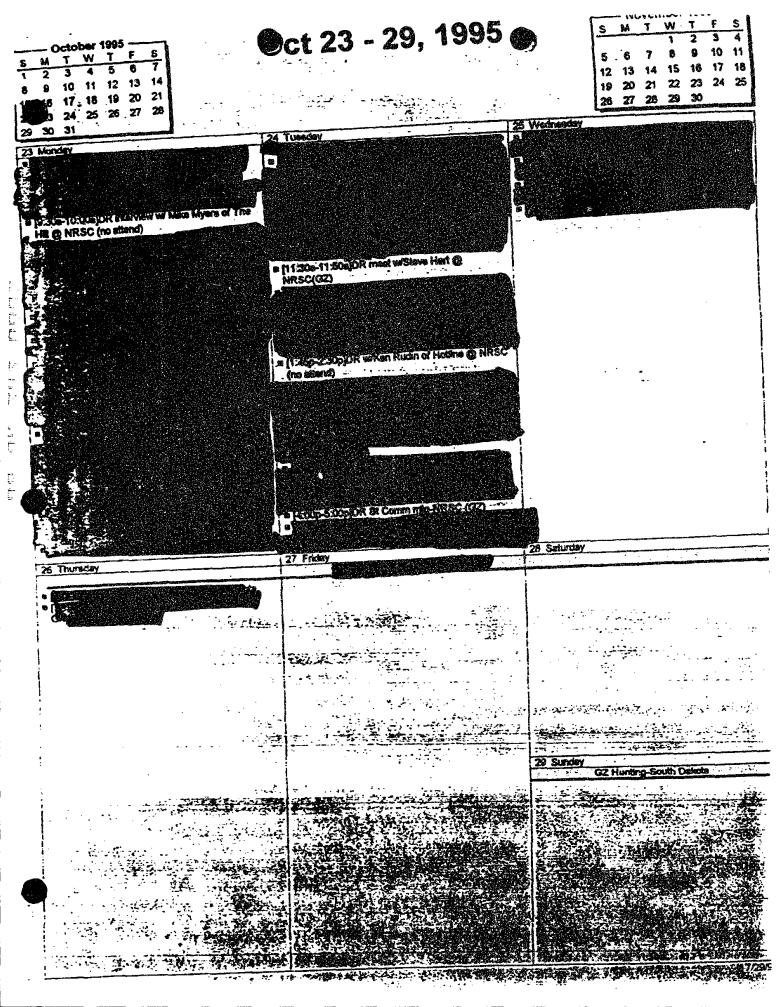
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4:00pm - 5:00pm __ Steering Committee Meeting (Provide list tomorrow)

5:30pm - 7:30pm PAC Fundraiser @ Cv and Linda Jamison's

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MISSOULA, MONTONA

OCTOBER 11, 1006

Double duty. The lieutenant governor visits D.C. to attend a conference and raise funds for his Senate bid

By CHARLES 8. JOHNSON Mexicular State Bureau

HELLINA - Republicas LL Gov. Dennis Rether, is in Weshington, D.C., early this week bus suggested associated lacotten a prior state reners : concy for his 1996 campaign for the U.S. Senate seat held by Democrat Max Baucus.

Rehturg said leaders of the National Federation of Independent Bosiness personally Igward him to strend the meeting because of what he gold is Saucial poor remord in supporting issues unfortant to small business. The feduration has more than 9,000 members in

The up to Weshington is being prid for numby by his company and burned. Rebberg

As an elected efficial. Rehiberg has no vication time. But as lieuteasnt governor, Renberg said he bas put in plenty of 50- and 60hour weeks and worked lots weekends, so he sees no problem with his making the trip, despite Democrate Party entireses.

"No_ody has ever accused Dennis Rehberg of act putting in a day's work and a day's pay," be said. Treople are getting their money's worth from this lieutenant governor."

As for Democrats' criticisms of him coordaring creatings business on work days. Rebberg said. I never said I wesn't going to spend time on this campaign, any more than Man Baurra mid he warm? going to spend these on the

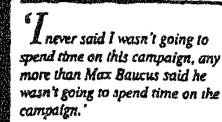
Reberg said he will campaign, while still passing i the bours as Jeutepant coremon, and usked whether Baucas would make a १०० प्रिक इसे अस्थाना विकास currenter between our and 1996.

After he encounced his enothing in Kalispeil Jame 23, Retberg told the Missoulian State Bureau he would confine his campaigning to off bours, on nights and workends, and would appetes the detics and the expenses. He said then he hopes Baucus will do the same.

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State Decreered Chaliman Kelly Addy criticized Rebberg, saying the licuterant governor "is corateastly breaking his promise to Monuncurs not to campalyse when has a supposed to be doing the job they elected him to do.

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events in Washington. One is a "meet and proce leachede today sportsored by Jennes McChare. foreser Republices master from Idaho, and three other people concerned with mining instead according to Rebberg. No price for the event was listed.

The other is a reception tonight at the Washington borne of Cy Jamison, an unsuccessful cardidate for Congress in Montana last year. Sporeoring the event are Sen. Conred Burns, R. Mont, and four other Republican senators from neighboring states. Tieken cost \$500 for political action committees or \$750s for individuals.



NRSCNEWS 96

NATIONAL REPUBLICAN SENATORIAL COMMITTEE

Chairman, Senator Alfonse D'Amaso

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19, 1995 NRSC95/165 CONTACT: NRSC PRESS OFFICE NANCY IVES 202/675-6006

NRSC GATHERING VIDEO, AUDIO FOOTAGE OF CLINTON TAX COMMENTS

GOP SENATE CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE PREPARING TO USE CLINTON "TAXED TOO MUCH" COMMENT IN 1996 SENATE RACES

Washington, DC - The National Republican Senatorial Committee is today gathering video and audio footage of the President's "raised taxes too much" speech in Houston for use in the 1996 Senate campaigns.

"When President Clinton admitted he 'raised taxes too much', he left his tax increase supporters in the U.S. Senate twisting in the political wind," said John Heubusch, Executive Director of the National Republican Senatorial Committee. "We plan on letting voters know their Senator supported the Clinton tax increase and, that now, the President said the tax increase was too big."

Possible ad targets include Scnators Max Baucus/MT, Paul Wellstone/MN, Carl Levin/MI, John Kerry/MA, Joe Biden/DE and John Rockefeller/WV.

In addition, those in the House of Representatives who backed the Clinton tax increase — and who are now running for the U.S. Senate — are also possible ad targets. They include liberal Representatives Bob Torricelli/NJ, Richard Durbin/IL, Jack Reed/RI and Tim Johnson/SD.

"The Clinton admission that he raised taxes too much has undermined all of the liberals who supported the record-size tax increase," said Heubusch. "We will ensure that voters know their Democrat Senator and Democrat Senate candidates raised taxes too much. This is a great issue for the GOP because voters always suspected it was true — and now the President himself has confirmed it."

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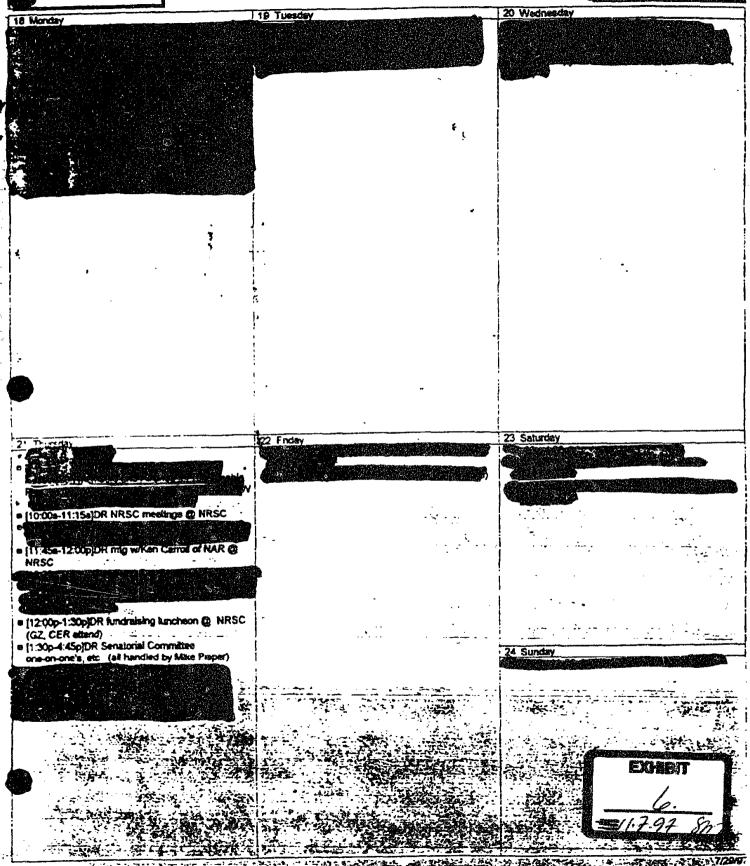
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Chairman, Senator Alfansa D'Amant

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: TUESDAY, APRIL 16, 1996 NRSC96/81 CONTACT: NRSC PRESS OFFICE 202/675-6006

NEW GOP ADS: BAUCUS SHOULD HEED MONTANANS ON TERM LIMITS

NRSC COMMENCES MONTANA RADIO CAMPAIGN URGING -BAUCUS TO VOTE FOR TERM LIMITS WHEN MEASURE COMES BEFORE SENATE

Washington, DC - The National Republican Senatorial Committee today commenced a Montana radio campaign urging Senator Max Baucus to heed the wishes of Montanans by voting to support term limits when the measure is considered on the floor of the United States Senate.

The following sixty-second radio spot, produced for the NRSC by River Bank Inc., will air in markets throughout the state of Montana:

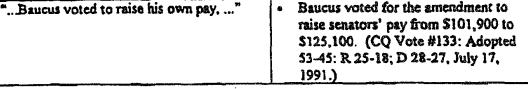
"Liberal Max Baucus voted to raise his own pay, then voted to raise our taxes. He was wrong. While working families are having a tough time making ends meet here in Montana, Max Baucus is back in Washington giving himself a big payraise, then voting to raise our taxes.

"Max Baucus increased his pay by more than \$23,000, then increased our taxes by more than \$2,600 per family. That's an outrage. Pay raises... higher taxes. That's not Montana — but it is Max Baucus.

"Soon the Senate will vote on term limits — and the people of Montana support it. But not Max Baucus. In fact, he's already opposed term limits. It's just what you would expect from a Senator who's been in Washington for twenty-one long, liberal years.

"Call liberal Max Baucus. Tell him he was wrong to vote himself a big payraise, then vote to raise our taxes. Tell him it's time to vote for term limits."

See Attached Documentation



"...then voted to raise our taxes."

Baucus voted for passage of the Clinton tax Increase Bill bill. (CQ Yote #190: Passed 50-49: R 0-43; D 49-6, with Vice President Al Gore casting a "yea" vote, June 25, 1993.)

Baucus voted for adoption of the conference report. (CQ Yote #247: Adopted 51-50: R 0-44; D 50-6, with Vice President Al Gore casting a "yea" vote, Aug. 6, 1993.)

"Max Baucus increased his pay by more than \$23,000..."

Baucus voted for the amendment to raise senators' pay from \$101,900 to \$125,100. (CQ Vote #133: Adopted 53-45: R 25-18; D 28-27, July 17, 1991.)

"...then increased our taxes by more than

\$2,600 a family."

The Heritage Foundation, in an April

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Increase," calculated that the 1993
Clinton/Baucus tax bill will cost
Montana's taxpayers \$541,779,082
over five years, or \$668.04 for every
man, woman and child in Montana

(family of four)
\$668.04 x 4 = \$2,672.16

"Soon the Senate will vote on term limits.

And the people of Montana support it.

And the people of Montana support it.

Description of support for the 14 initiatives this year demonstrate the political potency of term limits: ...

Montana, 67 [percent]; ...

(Insight Magazine, 11/30/92)

"In fact, he's [Baucus] has opposed term limits."

- "But Baucus said Montans already had term limits before the [term limits] initiative: 'It's called voting."'
 (The Associated Press, 8/23/93)
- Baucus voted for the motion to table (kill) amendment to limit terms of successful Senate candidates to two consecutive terms if they received public financing. (CQ Vote #69: Motion agreed to 68-30: R 12-30; D 56-0, May 22, 1991.)
- Baucus voted for the motion to table
 (kill) the amendment to impose term
 limits on candidates who receive
 public financing of six House terms
 and two Senate terms. Under the
 amendment, if an individual decided
 to run for an additional term, the
 individual would be required to repay
 all public financing previously
 received. (CQ Vote #128: Motion
 agreed to 57-39: R 6-36; D 51-3 May
 26, 1993.)
- Baucus has also failed to cosponsor any of the 21 term limit initiatives that have been introduced in the Senate since 1979.

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MEMORANDUM

SENT VIA FAX

TO:

GREG STRIMPLE

FROM:

DWIGHT STERLING

DATE:

APRIL 11, 1996

RE:

MEDIA SCHEDULE COSTS - RADIO IN FOUR STATES

The following is a summary of costs for radio schedules in four states for the National Republican Senstorial Committee. The schedules will air in parts of four states: Iowa, Massachusetts, Minnesota and Montana. The schedules will air for the first part of the four part radio schedule, from Monday, April 15 thru Wednesday, April 24.

The total cost for the eight day schedules is \$32,800.50. Broken down by state, the costs are:

State	<u> Dudest</u>	Comments
Sova	\$ 9,873.00	Des Moines strongest, then Sioux City and Mason City.
Massachuseus	\$ 9,860.00	Worcester strongest, with a lighter schedule in New Bedford-Pall River
Minnesota	\$ 3,412.50	Duluth
Montana	\$ 9,655.00	Strong in Billings and Great Falls, and lighter in Missoula and Helena
TOTAL	\$ 32,800.50	

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE THURSDAY, APRIL 25, 1996 NRSC96/98 CONTACT: NRSC PRESS OFFICE 202/675-6006

GOP ADS: BAUCUS SHOULD BACK BALANCED BUDGET ON SENATE FLOOR

NRSC COMMENCES MONTANA RADIO CAMPAIGN OUTLINING BAUCUS LIBERAL RECORD OF TAXING AND SPENDING

Washington, DC - The following sixty-second radio spot, produced for the NRSC by River Bank Inc., will begin airing in markets today throughout the state of Montana:

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You already know that liberal Max Baucus voted to raise his own pay by \$23,000 then voted to raise your taxes by more than \$2,600 a family.

But did you know that in the 21 long liberal years that Baucus has been in Washington, our debt skyrocketed to \$5 trillion.

It's a fact

And still liberal Max Baucus refuses to consistently vote for a <u>real</u> balanced budget.

Instead, he's voted to spend billions more on wasteful government spending.

That's right. Billions more

Liberal Max Baucus even voted to spend our taxdollars to pay for an alpine slide in Puerto Rico and a casino in Connecticut.

That's not Montana. But it is Max Baucus.

Call liberal Max Baucus at (800) 332-6106. Tell him to stop wasting our hard earned money. Tell him to vote for Congress' balanced budget plan.

Paid for by the National Republican Senatorial Committee.

See Attached 1 Page Documentation



AD TEXT

BAUCUS RECORD

Baucus voted to raise his own pay by \$23,000.	Baucus voted for the amendment to raise senators' pay from \$101,900 to \$125,100, ban senators' honoraria and limit outside earned income to 15 percent of a senator's base pay. (CQ Vote #133: Adopted 53-45: R 25-18; D 28-27, July 17, 1991)
Baucus voted for the 1993 Clinton tax bill which raised taxes \$2,600 for a family of four in Montana.	Baucus voted for passage and adoption of the 1993 Clinton tax bill (CQ Votes #190, #247, 1993) Per capita impact of the 1993 Clinton tax bill on Montana was \$668.04. Multiplied by four equals \$2,672.16. ("The State and District Impact of the Clinton Tax Increase," "Heritage Foundation, 4/7/94)
Baucus has been in Washington 21 years.	Baucus was elected to federal office in 1975. He has spent over 21 years in Washington. (The Almanac of American Politics, 1996)
While in office the national debt skyrocketed to \$5 trillion.	The national debt as of Wednesday, April 17, 1996, was \$5,146,356,518,536.99. (The Washington Times, 4/19/96)
Baucus refuses to vote for a balanced budget.	Baucus voted against both passage and the conference report of FY 1996, a bill to balance the budget by 2002. (CQ Vote #556: Passed 52-47: R 52-1; D 0-46, Oct. 28, 1995) (CQ Vote #584: Motion agreed to 52-47: R 52-1; D 0-46, Nov. 17, 1995)
	Baucus voted three times for measures which / expressed a desire for a goal of balancing the federal budget. (CQ Vote #371: Adopted 61-31: R 39-9; D 22-22, Dec. 11, 1985); (CQ 7ote #581: Passed 60-37: R 53-0; D 7-37, Nov. 16, 1995); (CQ Vote #611: Passed 94-0: R 49-0; D 45-0, Dec. 21, 1995)

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Baucus refuses to vote for a balanced	Balanced Budget Constitutional Amendment
budget.	·
	Although Max Baucus' rhetoric promotes
	reducing the deficit, his record on the balanced
	budget amendment does not. Baucus has voted
	against the balanced budget amendment 10
1	times out of 13 occasions. The following three
	votes are considered to be the benchmark votes
	on the balanced budget amendment. Baucus
·	voted against it in 1986 and 1994, then flip-
	flopped and voted for it in 1995.
	(CQ Vote #45: Rejected 66-34: R 43-10; D 23-
	24, March 25, 1986); (CQ Vote #48: Rejected
ſ	63-37: R 41-3; D 22-34, March 1, 1994);
	(CQ Vote #98: Rejected 65-35: R 51-2; D 14-
	33, March 2, 1995)
Baucus has voted to spend billions on	The net total of legislation Baucus voted for in
wasteful government spending.	the 103rd Congress was: "\$54,213,000,000"
	(NTUF VoteTally, 103rd Congress, 10/10/94)
	The net total of legislation Baucus voted for in
	the 104th Congress was: "\$41,304,000,000"
	(NTUF VoteTally, 104th Congress, 2/96)
Baucus voted to spend taxdollars on	Baucus supported Clinton's 1993 "stimulus"
an alpine slide in Puerto Rico and a	plan. Specifically, he voted against cutting the
casino in Connecticut.	Community Development Block Grants which
•	would have funded the alpine slide and the
	casino. (CQ Vote #87: Motion agreed to 54-43:
	R 0-43; D 54-0, March 30, 1993)
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	Baucus voted three times for cloture, which
	would have limited debate and allowed a vote for
-	the Clinton plan. Baucus voted for (CQ Vote
,	#100: Motion rejected 55-43: R 0-42; D 55-1,
	April 2, 1993); (CQ Vote #101: Motion rejected.
	52-37: R 0-37; D 52-0, April 3, 1993); and (CQ =
	Vote #102: Motion rejected 49-29: R 0-28: D
	49-1, April 5, 1993)
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	Baucus once again voted against eliminating the
	"stimulus" aspects of the plan. (CQ Vote #103:
•	Motion agreed to 53-45; R 0-41; D 53-4, April
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Baucus did vote for a different "stimulus" substitute that would have lowered the amount of spending somewhat, but would have still funded the pork and still would not have paid for it, thereby still increasing the federal deficit. (CQ Vote #104: Adopted 52-46: R 0-41; D 52-5, April 20, 1993)

Baucus once more voted for cloture on the stimulus bill, but the motion failed and the projects were not funded. (CQ Vote #105: Motion rejected 56-43: R 0-42; D 56-1-April 21, 1993)

"The list below, taken from the National Conference of Mayors 'Ready to Go' book of more than 4,000 public works projects, gives a sense of exactly where much of the money would be going. While the 'Ready to Go' projects aren't specifically included in the stimulus package, HUD Secretary Henry Cisneros told Congress in February it is the list the administration will work from in dispensing the \$2.5 billion earmarked in the bill for community development."

"Caguas, Puerto Rico, build alpine slide, 100 jobs, \$2,500,000"
"West Haven, Conn., construct a casino building, 20 jobs, \$1,000,000"

(editorial, The Wall Street Journal, 4/5/93)

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MEDIA SCHEDULE 1/2 COSTS - RADIO IN FOUR STATES

The following is a summary of costs for radio schedules in three states for the National Republican Senatorial Committee. The schedules will air in parts of three states: Iowa, Minneson and Montana. The schedules will air for the second part of the four mert radio schedule, from Thursday, April 25 thru Friday, May 3.

The total cost for the nine day schedules is \$32,637.50. Broken down by state, the costs are:

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lowa	\$ 9,863.00	Das Moines strongest, then Sioux City and Mason City.
Minnesota	\$ 13,137.50	Duluth and Minacapolis
Montana	\$ 9,637.00	Strong in Billings and Great Falls, and lighter in Missoula and Helena
TOTAL	\$ 32,637.50	NRSC4378 005

A breakdown by radio station of the costs in each state is attached. If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 739-2160.

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NEW GOP AD: BAUCUS VOTES FOR MORE TAXES, INCREASED DEBT. HIGHER PAY FOR HIMSELF

NRSC RADIO CAMPAIGN URGES MONTANANS TO CONTACT BAUCUS: AD SAYS BAUCUS SHOULD VOTE TO BALANCE THE BUDGET NOW

Washington, DC - The National Republican Senatorial Committee today began running a new radio spot in Montana chronicling Senator Baucus' record of raising taxes, increasing the federal debt and raising his own pay. The spot urges Montanans to contact Baucus to encourage him to balance the federal budget now.

The following sixty-second radio spot will air in Montana:

"The top movie is 'Godfather Part II.'

'Streaking,' becomes a national fad.

Max Baucus goes to Washington, and our national debt is \$484 billion.

A lot's changed in 21 years - for example, Max Baucus' salary has more than tripled, from \$42,000 to \$133,000 a year. And the national debt has skyrocketed to \$5 trillion

What have 1. : gotten from Baucus' 21 long liberal years? More taxes and more debt Liberal Baucus voted for five of the largest tax increases in American history. In one vote alone, he increased taxes on Montana families by \$2,600 a year.

Baucus even voted to raise taxes on Social Security, small husinesses, and gasoline

Call liberal Max Baucus. Tell him to balance the budget. Tell him he was wrong to raise taxes and spend us into debt. Tell him to vote for the majority's plan to balance the budget

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DRAFT NRSC RADIO:60 - "1974-BAUCUS"

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"Streaking," becomes a national fad.

(SFX under Anner. = teenager yelling/running outdoors)

Max Baucus goes to Washington, and our national debt is \$484 billion.

A lot's changed in 21 years - for example, Max Baucus's salary has more than tripled, from \$42,000 to \$133,000 a year.

And the national debt has skyrocketed to \$5 trillion.

What have we gotten from Baucus's 21 long liberal years?

More taxes and more debt.

Liberal Baucus voted for five of the largest tax increases in American history. In one vote alone, he increased taxes on Montana families by \$2600 a year.

Baucus even voted to raise taxes on social security, small businesses, and gasoline.

Call liberal Max Baucus. Tell him to balance the budget. Tell him he was wrong to raise our taxes and spend us into debt. Tell him to vote for the majority's plan to balance the budget.

Paid for by the National Republican Senatorial Committee

AD TEXT

BAUCUS RECORD

"1974 Max Raucus goes to Washington, and our national debt is \$484 billion." "Max Baucus' salary has more than tripled. from \$42,000 to \$133,000 a year."	 Baucus was elected to federal office in 1974. He has spent over 21 years in Washington. (source: The Almanac of American Politics, 1996) Total gross federal debt in 1974 was \$483.893 million (animac: finitistical Abstract of the United States, 1995) Baucus' salary has risen from \$42,500 in January, 1975 to \$133,600 in 1996. (source: 1991 CQ Almanac; CQ Weekly Report, 1/2/93)
"And the national debt has skyrocketed to \$5 trillion."	• The national debt as of Wednesday, April 17, 1996, was \$5,146,356,518,536.99. (The Washington Times, 4/19/96)
"Liberal Baucus voted for five of the largest tax increases in American history."	• Clinton Tax Increase of 1993, Conference Report (CQ Vote #247, 1993) (\$241 billion over five years*)
	 Budget Reconciliation Tax Increases of 1982, Conference Report (CQ Vote #337, 1982) (\$138 billion over four years*) Budget Reconciliation of 1987, Conference Report (CQ Vote #419, 1987) (\$54 billion
	over four years*) Deficit Reduction Act of 1984, Conference Report (CQ Vote #161, 1984) (\$48.3 billion over 4 years*)
-	Social Security Act Amendments of 1983, Conference Report (CQ Vote #54, 1983) (\$36.7 billion over four years*) (Tax Foundation Press Release, 9/2/93)
"In one vote alone, he increased taxes on Montana families by \$2,600 a year."	 Baucus voted for adoption of the conference report. (C⊋ Vote #247: Adopted 51-50: R 0-44; D 50-6, with Vice President Al Gore casting a "yea" vote, Aug. 6, 1993.)
	• The Heritage Foundation, in an April 7, 1994, study entitled "The State and District Impact of The Clinton Tax Increase," calculated that the 1993 Clinton/Baucus tax bill will cost Montana's taxpayers \$541,779,082 over five years, or \$668.04 for every man, woman and child in Montana.
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"Baucus <u>even</u> voted to raise taxes on social security	 Baucus voted to table (kill) the amendment to strike the provisions of the bill that raise the percentage of Social Security benefits taxed from 50 percent to 85 percent for individuals earning more than \$32,000 and couples earning more than \$40,000. (CQ Vote #169: Motion agreed to 51-46: R 1-41; D fill fill fill for adoption of the conference report on Cilmon's 1993 are fillt which
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"small businesses,"	Usucus voted against an amendment giving tax rehef to small businesses and family farms (CQ Vote #171: Motion rejected 56-42; R 43-0, D 13-42, June 24, 1993)
"and gasoline."	 Baucus voted against eliminating a gasoline tax of three cents per gallon to raise revenues. (CQ Vote #208: Adopted 209-187: R 114-17, D 95-170. June 11, 1975). Baucus voted to kill an amendment eliminating the 4.3-cent tax on transportation fuels. (CQ Vote #167: Motion agreed 50-48: R 0-43, D 50-5. July 24, 1993)
	 Baucus voted for adoption of the conference report on Clinton's 1993 tax bill which included an increase of 4.3 cents in the federal gasoline tax. (CQ Vote #247: Adopted 51-50; R 0-44; D 50-6, with Vice President Al Gore casting a "yea" vote, Aug. 6, 1993.)

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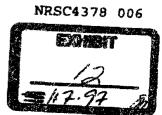
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CONTACT: NRSC PRESS OFFICE **DAN MCLAGAN** 202/675-6006

NEW NRSC TV AD TO BAUCUS: SUPPORT A BALANCED BUDGET

STATEWIDE MONTANA TV AD CAMPAIGN BEGINS AIRING THIS WEEKEND

Washington, DC -- The following is the text of a new 30 second statewide TV spot from the National Republican Senatorial Committee urging Montana Senator Max Baucus to support a balanced federal budget

TV/30 Seconds Title: "1974-Baucus"

> 1974: Liberal Max Baucus goes to Washington. Your share of the national debt: \$2,300.

22 long liberal years later. Government spending explodes. Baucus votes for five of the biggest tax increases in history.

Your share of the national debt: \$19,000. What else is up?

Baucus's salary - it's tripled to \$133,000.

We need a balanced budget.

Call liberal Max Baucus, and tell him to support the Majority's balanced budget plan.



NRSC TV:30 - "1974 BAUCUS" FINAL AUDIO

VIDEO

GRAPHICS: 1974

Baucus still (any of '74 vintage?)

(possibly in sepia)

GRAPHICS: Your share of national Jeld -

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Headline on Spending

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Baucus pix

GRAPHICS: Call Max Baucus/Phone

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Disclaimer

AUDIO

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1974.

Liberal Max Baucus goes to Washington.

Your share of the national Juli -- \$2000.

22 long liberal years later. Government spending explodes.

Baucus votes for five of the biggest tax increases in history.

Your share of the national debt --

\$19.000.

What else is up?

Baucus's salary. It's tripled to \$133,000.

We need a balanced budget,

Call liberal Max Baucus and tell him to support the majority's balanced budget plan.

NRSC TV:10 - "HEY MAX" FINAL AUDIO

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Our Taxes and Your Pay

Hey Max!

Stop raising our taxes and your pay.

Call Max Baucus and tell him to support the majority's balanced budget plan!

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NATIONAL REPUBLICAN SENATORIAL COMMITTE

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: TUESDAY, MAY 28, 1996 NRSC96/140 CONTACT: NRSC PRESS OFFICE DAN McLAGAN 202/675-6006

NEW GOP AD URGES BAUCUS TO BALANCE THE BUDGET

Washington, DC - The following is the text of a new 30 second TV spot which began airing statewide in Montana on Friday from the National Republican Senatorial Committee urging liberal Senator Max Baucus to support a balanced budget.

TV/30 Seconds
Title: "Twenty-two"

By one vote, the Senate passed the largest tax increase in history. That one vote... Max Boucus.

He voted for more taxes on Social Security, gasoline and family farms.

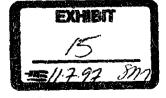
It's no surprise

For twenty-two long liberal years, Baucus has spent our money and raised our taxes. He's the sixth biggest spender in the Senate.

Max Baucus...definitely a liberal

Call Tell Baucus to vote for the majority's plan to halance the budget

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE FRIDAY, MAY 31, 1996 NRSC96/149

CONTACT: NRSC PRESS OFFICE

DAN McLAGAN 202/675-6006

NEW GOP AD URGES BAUCUS TO SUPPORT BALANCED BUDGET PLAN

Washington, D.C. -- The following is a text of a new 30 second TV spot which begins airing today in Montana. The ads are paid for by the National Republican Senatorial Committee and are aimed at urging Montana Senator Max Baucus to support the majority's balanced budget plan.

VIDEO

AUDIO

(Music Up & Under)

Hand prose button to start tape recorder Fuse It and burns supered over video

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Heads pick up Baucus photo from menille file folder marked TOP SECRET in block etentil lettering

This is Mux Baucus, liberal from Montana

Baucus disguises his record.

Good Marning, Mr. Phelpe-

Head flips to next piece of paper with GRAPHICS (block stencil lettering): Mas Baucus/Voted for 5 of the Biggest Tax Increases in Americas History

Baucus voted for five of the biggest tax increases in history.

Hand flips to piece of paper with GRAPHICS (block stencil lettering): Max Baucus/Veted to Raine Team on: Social Security/Family Farms (amailer date - 8/6/73)

Baucus voted to raise taxes on Social Security and lacally forms.

Tape recorder playing

Your mission, which may be impossible. Is to get Baucus to support the majority's balanced hadget plan.

Good Luck Jim

Hand presses off button on tape recorder

(300) 532-6196

AYNCR

Relo Jim. Call liberal Max Baucus. This Benange will self-destruct in one second.

(SFX = Hissing as taps dissolves)

Disclaimer

(Music Under & Out)



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INVOICE

SENT VIA FAX

To:

National Republican Senatorial Committee

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Re:

Montana Television - Costs

Dave:

May 17, 1996

The National Republican Senatorial Committee will air television schedules in Montana over two weeks, from Friday, May 24 thru Thursday, June 6. The schedules will air in five television markets: Missoula, Billings, Great Fells, Butte-Boxeman and Helena.

The total cost for the two week schedules is **Management**. Broken down by market, the costs are:

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Please call us or (703) 360-5671 with any questions.

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INVOICE MEMORANDUM

SENT VIA FAX

TO:

NATIONAL REPUBLICAN SENATORIAL COMMITTEE

FROM:

MULTI MEDIA SERVICES CORPORATION

DATE:

JUNE 3, 1996

RE:

MEDIA COSTS - PRODUCTION

The following preloction costs were incurred for advertising to air in two states: Minnesota and Montana.

PRODUCTION COSTS:

\$ 30,000.00

If you have any questions, please call us at (703) 739-2160.

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NATIONAL REPUBLICAN SENATORIAL COMMITTEE

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INVOICE

SENT VIA FAX

To:

National Republican Senatorial Committee

From:

Multi Media Services Corporation

Re:

Montana Television - Costs

Date:

June 3, 1996

The National Republican Senatorial Committee will air television schedules in Montana over two weeks, from Friday, June 7 thru Thursday, June 20. The schedules will air in five television markets: Missoula, Billings, Great Falls, Butte-Bozeman and Helena.

The total cost for the two week schedules is \$65,000.00. Broken down by market, the costs are:

Market	Week	Cost	GRPs
Missoula	6/07-6/13	\$ 12,500	900 (700-:30's/200-:10's)
	6/14-6/20	\$ 6,500	500 (300-:30's/200-:10's)
Billings	6/07-6/13	\$ 12,000	900 (700-;30's/200-:10's)
	6/14-6/20	\$ 6,000	500 (300-:30's/200-:10's)
Great Falls	6/07-6/13	\$ 8,000	900 (700-:30's/200-:10's)
	6/14-6/20	\$ 5,000	500 (300-:30's/200-:10's)
Butte-Bozeman	6/07-6/13	\$ 8,250	900 (700-:30's/200-:10's)
	6/14-6/20	\$ 4,750	500 (300-:30's/200-:10's)
Helena	6/07-6/13	\$ 1,000	170 (90-:30's/80-:10's)
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TOTAL		\$ 65,000.00)

Please call us at (703) 739-2160 with any questions.

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NRSCNEWS 96

NATIONAL REPUBLICAN SENATORIAL COMMITTEE

Chairman, Senator Alfonse D'Amato

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE FRIDAY, JUNE 21, 1996 NRSC96/179 CONTACT: NRSC PRESS OFFICE

DAN McLAGAN 202/675-6006

NRSC LAUNCHES NEW MONTANA TV ADS

SPOTS URGE BAUCUS TO SUPPORT BALANCED BUDGET

WASHINGTON, D.C. - The following is the script of a new NRSC television ad that begins airing in Montana today.

AUDIO

In his 22 long liberal years, Max Baucus has voted over 50 times to raise taxes.

Baucus even voted to raise taxes on Social Security, Medicare recipients, small businesses and the family farm.

Max, you can't hide from your record -- you're definitely a liberal.

Call, tell liberal Max Baucus to support the majority's plan to balance the budget and cut our taxes.

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VIDEO

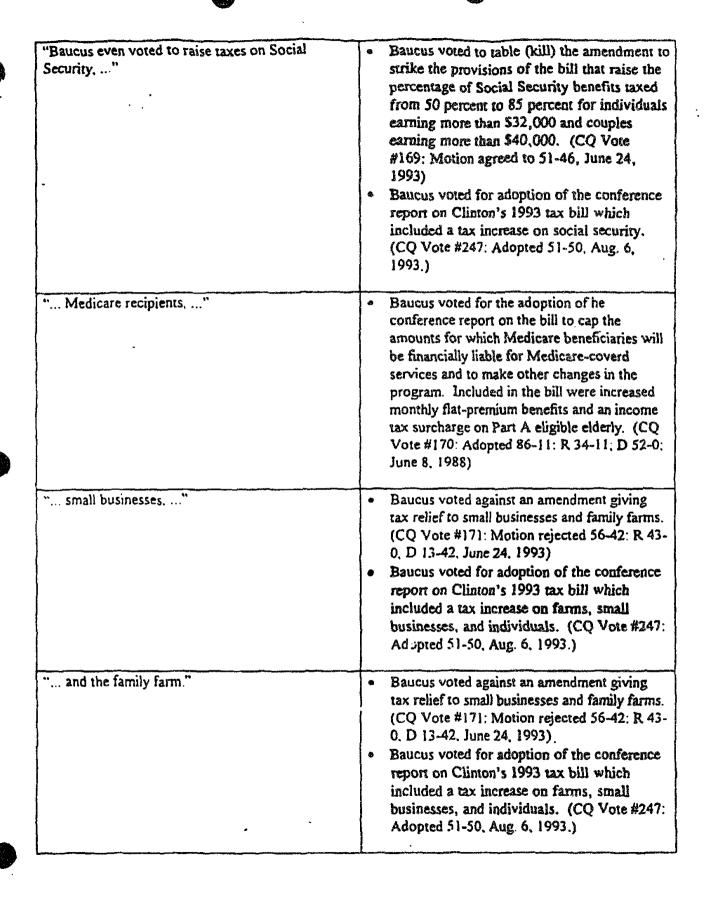
Scrolling list of Baucus votes for more taxes



AD TEXT (ANNCR#1)

BAUCUS RECORD

"In his 22 long liberal years,"	Baucus has been in federal office since 1975. He has spent 22 years in Washington. (The Almanac of American Politics, 1996)
"Max Baucus has voted over 50 times to raise taxes."	• Max Baucus has voted to raise taxes over 50 times. (CQ Vote #339, 1993;) CQ Vote #335, 1993; CQ Vote #327, 1993; CQ Vote #244, 1993; CQ Vote #244, 1993; CQ Vote #166, 1993; CQ Vote #167, 1993; CQ Vote #167, 1993; CQ Vote #83, 1993; CQ Vote #66, 1993; CQ Vote #59, 1993; CQ Vote #57, 1993; CQ Vote #59, 1993; CQ Vote #57, 1993; CQ Vote #54, 1993; CQ Vote #54, 1993; CQ Vote #54, 1993; CQ Vote #54, 1992; CQ Vote #48, 1992; CQ Vote #48, 1992; CQ Vote #54, 1992; CQ Vote #54, 1992; CQ Vote #280, 1990; CQ Vote #281, 1992; CQ Vote #283, 1989; CQ Vote #284, 1987; CQ Vote #37, 1987; CQ Vote #37, 1987; CQ Vote #37, 1987; CQ Vote #37, 1986; CQ Vote #37, 1985; CQ Vote #314, 1985; CQ Vote #379, 1985; CQ Vote #314, 1985; CQ Vote #51, 1984; CQ Vote #51, 1984; CQ Vote #54, 1983; CQ Vote #54, 1984; CQ Vote #54, 1983; CQ Vote #337, 1982; CQ Vote #410, 1984; CQ Vote #337, 1982; CQ Vote #441, 1982; CQ Vote #337, 1982; CQ Vote #484, 1979; CQ Vote #286, 1981; CQ Vote #484, 1979; CQ Vote #484, 1979; CQ Vote #4895, 1979; CQ Vote #485, 1979; CQ Vote #488, 1979; CQ Vote #547, 1975; CQ Vote #548, 1975; CQ Vote #548, 1975; CQ Vote #549, 1979; CQ Vote #547, 197



NATIONAL REPUBLICAN SENATORIAL COMMITTEE 425 SECOND STREET, NE. WASHINGTON, DC 20002-4967

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TO THE ORDER OF

MULTI MEDIA SERVICES CORP. 915 KING ST., 2ND FLOOR ALEXANDRIA, VA 22314

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NATIONAL REPUBLICAN SENATORIAL COMMITTEE

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INVOICE

SENT VIA FAX

To:

National Republican Senatorial Committee

From:

Multi Media Services Corporation

Re:

Montana Television - Costs

Date:

June 18, 1996

The National Republican Senatorial Committee will air television schedules in Montana over two weeks, from Friday, June 21 thru Wednesday, July 3. The schedules will air in five television markets: Missoula, Billings, Great Falls, Butte-Bozeman and Helena.

The total cost for the two week schedules is \$65,000.00. Broken down by market, the costs are:

	Cost	GRPs
6/21-6/27	\$ 12,500	900 (700-:30's/200-:10's)
6/28-7/03	\$ 6,500	500 (300-:30's/200-:10's)
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Please call us at (703) 739-2160 with any questions.

/ds JUN 1 7 1996.

MASS ACCOUNTING.



Dennis Rehberg appearance on the Pat Stinson show, 5/1 at 8:30 am.

Stinson

I tried to get a hold of you yesterday. You were

gone. You were flying somewhere?

Rehberg

Yeah, I flew back to Washington, D.C.

Stinson

Gettin money, huh?

Rehberg

That's right....

Stinson

Are you in DC now?

Rehberg

I am. In fact, what I'm doing is I am meeting with the [National Republican] Senatorial Committee.

